

## 1993 Conference News

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By now you should all have received the Call for Papers for this year's conference. Although we plan to feature information on HIV and tobacco, it is not our intention to limit the program to these issues only. If you would like to present a paper on another topic related to substance abuse prevention, that's fine! Please return your application form by June 1st so we can consider you for the program.

The conference planning committee has grown a bit since Nashville. We have added four new members to the original three: myself, Nancy Humphreys, and Andrea Mitchell. New members are **Leonore Burts** (CDC National AIDS Clearinghouse), **Alice De Vierno** (CDC Office on Smoking & Health), **Susan Hillyard** (Tobacco Education Clearinghouse of California), and **Valerie Mead** (New Jersey Alcohol/Drug Resource Center at Rutgers University).

A special thanks goes to Dana Wilson of the Greater Dallas Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. Dana has courageously volunteered to handle conference publicity!

Just a reminder: the conference will be held October 3rd - 6th at the Miyako Hotel in San Francisco. The hotel is giving us a special rate of \$89 (plus 11% tax) for a single or double room. Some people will want to share room to keep the cost down, and we have promised to help people find roommates. Look for more information about this in the next SALIS News.

A note of explanation about my address and phone. I work at the Prevention Research Center in Berkeley. The SALIS Home office is also located in Berkeley, but it is not PRC. Since my office will be moving sometime this year, I thought it would be a good idea to use the SALIS Home address to avoid confusion when we move. However, my telephone and FAX numbers are **NOT** the same as the

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## SALIS Members 1993 -

The 1993 membership list is on pages 8 - 10. If you have not yet paid your dues your name will be missing. Reminder: the membership gives you a discount rate at the conference in San Francisco, mailings from NCADI, SALIS News, and much much more.

**A Video Questionnaire** is attached to front of News! Please take 5 minutes to fill out and send back. Thank you.

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# "MARC"ing Time - Part I

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The MARC (MACHine Readable Cataloging) format has been critical to the success of libraries throughout the world in providing access to their collections. Of course college and university libraries as well as large public systems come to mind in such a statement, but the success of your library or information center is also dependent on the MARC format.

Well, you say, I've managed to live without it and it's complex and confusing rules so far, why should I consider it as a factor in my operations now?

Here's some points I hope you'll ponder:

- (1) The burden of cataloging and the expectations of your users will only grow. You could say that as the expectations grow the burden grows proportionately. You, and your users, know it is technically feasible to store large amounts of information in a computer and access it quickly in any number of ways quickly. Your users are becoming more knowledgeable about databases and will expect you to provide better access to the information under your control. What they may not understand is the amount of work it takes to describe a bibliographic item sufficiently to provide a high level of access.
- (2) User interfaces are becoming more sophisticated yet easier to use. This trend is apparent in the on-line public access catalogs(OPAC) used in large libraries and in CD-ROM search software. With the implementation of a standard for searching library catalogs(ANSI Z39.50) the same search software used in on-line public access can be used across different libraries and even on CD-ROMS that adhere to the standard. These OPACS are designed for the MARC record format.
- (3) Use of the MARC record format is being made easier by friendly cataloging software(an oxymoron you say) such as Mitinet Marc. Downloading MARC records from CD-ROMs is growing as it becomes more cost effective and less complicated than using a bibliographic utility. Almost all special library cataloging software provides for input from MARC records. It's easier to create MARC records and easier to copy from them.

(See "MARC"ing Time - Part I, page 7)

# Stories From ALCNews

Nancy Humphreys, Marin Institute

(Editor's Note: In the last issue of *News* there was an announcement about ALCNews. In this issue Nancy Humphreys of the Marin Institute, gives information on how this database has been used by activists in the field.)

Librarians and other information providers often do not get to see the end results of our labor. Information or directions for finding information are given to a patron, and we may never know if our answer was useful. On the other hand, when patrons share their stories of how they used our information, the results can be quite exciting.

ALCNews is a database that puts information into the hands of activists as well as students and researchers. ALCNews, a product of the Marin Institute for Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Problems created with support from the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), contains two components: one is the Daily News Summaries; the other is Alcohol Industry materials. The news summaries come from five major daily newspapers. The industry materials is a bibliographic database of abstracted articles from advertising, marketing, and alcohol beverage industry magazines and newsletters. The following are some examples of prevention and media campaigns that came about as a consequence of advocates reading both components of the ALCNews database.

## Daily News Summaries

### \* Bacardi Breezers

Shortly after the news summaries began, an entry in April 1991 alerted advocates to the rising popularity of Bacardi's new product, Bacardi Breezers, which occupied third place in overall sales of distilled spirits products. The story described the product's large Latino following and reported that Bacardi Breezers would be sponsoring Gloria Estefan's summer tour, noting that Estefan also had a large Latino following. An abstract from the industry materials database alerted activists to the fact that Bacardi spent \$18 million to promote the breezers. As the date of Estefan's tour neared, community interest grew, and protests at the San Diego, Oakland, Seattle and Los Angeles concerts generated news stories about industry targeting of Latinos in a variety of local and national media.

(See *Stories From ALCNews*, page 7)

## NEWS FROM CANADA

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Now that Spring has arrived and reference activity at the ARF library is finally beginning to slow down, it is time to concentrate on my neglected SALIS duties which include reporting Canadian events, issues or initiatives which may be of interest to the broad spectrum of SALIS members. In this issue, I will report on a recent national workshop held in Toronto last March cosponsored by ARF and Health and Welfare Canada entitled **LINK**. As I prepare this, I can glance at the very effective, stark yet compelling poster, which I wish you all could see, that was prepared for this conference.

**LINK: An education program on the link between psychoactive drug use and domestic violence, March 25-28, 1993.**

The **LINK** conference was organized by Judith Groeneveld, an ARF researcher who has been studying the relationship between family violence and drug use for years. She is concerned that, traditionally, the two problems have been treated separately. Even when the link is recognized, the tools to facilitate action are lacking. The main purpose of the workshop was to bring together the two service provider groups to provide a forum for awareness, education, networking and planning and to develop a national strategy for implementing appropriate services. This involves individual provincial implementation strategies as well.

The meeting was part conference, part symposium and part workshop. Presentations were made by both family violence and addictions experts such as Sue Evans, a guest from the United States, who specializes in child sexual abuse and Barbara Ball, a specialist on adult survivors of abuse. Workshops provided the participants with educational materials and a chance to network. There will be no published proceedings, but educational materials prepared will receive a post conference revision by a national planning committee. Ultimately, a training kit will be available for purchase.

With **LINK**, the coexistence of family violence and drug abuse has been addressed and a means to promote an ongoing coordinated approach to treating the problem has been provided.

This is the good news from Canada!

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## Video ReViews

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I believe that consumers of educational videos CAN affect their pricing. And buyers of substance use/abuse videos are in a particularly interesting position these days. Public awareness about alcohol/drug issues has opened up the previously limited market for alcohol and drug tapes. There remains, however, enough of a special focus to facilitate buyers to organize a collective, cohesive voice about the cost, content, and style of alcohol/drug videos. As ever, I strongly encourage discussion and offer this column as a means of expression and networking.

The article below is reprinted with permission from *GUIDELINES* (Vol. 3, Issue 1, 1993), the newsletter put out by ABC-CLIO's Video Rating Guide for Libraries.

### PRICING IN THE HOME VIDEO INDUSTRY: An Independent Producer's Perspective, by Dan Jones, Site Productions

At one time I was in the antique business. From that experience, I quickly learned that there is no objective reason for the price of anything. Price is determined by what you think you can get someone to pay for whatever you are selling. If that sales price is greater than what the product cost you, you have a business.

I mention this experience because it has a lot to do with the pricing of special-interest videotapes for libraries. Right now, video prices are all over the lot, and the average audiovisual librarian has a hard time making sense of it all. And, like the antiques market, these days people selling videos are pricing by what they think they can get for their product.

The state of affairs shouldn't be too surprising since we are all going through the transition from the educational "film" marketplace to the special interest "video" market.

In the old education film market, part of the pricing issue was obvious. A half-hour copy of a 16 mm film cost more than \$100 to duplicate after the initial production costs and before consideration of any distribution costs. Since the only market for these programs consisted of public institutions like schools and libraries, the economics of scale mandated prices in the \$400 range.

*(Video ReViews continues next page)*

But that was before the ubiquitous VCR. Producing special interest programs for the burgeoning home video market has created a new economy of media and has changed the price equation irrevocably. For starters, a copy of a special interest video probably costs much less than \$7 to duplicate to VHS. What's more, the market for videotapes has widened exponentially.

Yet, every AV librarian still receives a deluge of catalogs listing special interest video titles for \$300 and \$400. Others list titles that are just as interesting and valuable for \$30 to \$70. How is the librarian to make sense of this?

Part of the answer is cynical. Because you are used to paying \$400 for a title, many distributors keep pricing to that level. But that's only part of the answer.

In reality, the structure of the media industry is changing. In order to understand this new structure, book publishing offers a better analogy than movie producing.

In book publishing, price is not usually an issue unless the title is meant for an extremely narrow audience. Most trade books are priced within a few dollars of each other in the hardcover editions. Their price is maintained under the assumption that they will repay their original costs through sufficient sales volume to justify their publishing cost. The cost of production for the book is relatively fixed.

Surprisingly, the cost of video production is becoming relatively fixed. And it is much lower than it was ten years ago. When I first started producing tapes, it easily cost me \$40,000 or more for the technical services needed to produce a simple 25-minute informational tape. But times and equipment have changed. What cost me \$40,000 eight years ago may only cost \$25,000 today. And I am not alone. Every producer can produce for much less today.

This means that much of the cost of the end product is now determined by other issues. These other factors include: The scope of the market available and uses within the market; The expectation of reasonable yearly sales volume; The cost of marketing or distribution deals; The life cycle of the title; The profit desired by the producer/distributor. Let's look at these factors to get an idea of what librarians pay for in the end product.

#### ♣ **MARKET SCOPE AND USES**

At some point producers have to ask themselves what they are trying to do with the videos they make. In other words, what is the scope of our market? Is the video aimed at a broad market, or is this title aimed at a middling audience? It might even be possible that the tape is aimed at a very narrow market: for instance, educational film libraries. A lot of titles are still produced for this market, which are often quite good, but have such a narrow focus that they won't find an audience anywhere else.

For the librarian, the huge volume of video produced brings up pertinent questions. There are now almost as many videos being produced as there are books being published. Does this mean that the video librarian should look at comparable pricing of books to justify purchases? Is price a valid quality determinant for librarians choosing among titles in the same subject area? (I would suggest in times of tight budgets, price must be a decisive factor.) All of these are new questions for a market that was originally established with few titles and a fairly narrow audience to serve, but they should help to define the context in which to view the issue.

#### ♣ **EXPECTATION OF YEARLY SALES VOLUME**

Because there are now so many video productions for so many possible uses, the analogy to book pricing must be looked at further.

When an educational producer releases a title for only the school and library market, he or she can expect to sell only about 1,000 copies. The tape may have taken a year to produce at a cost of about \$50,000. The producer's time may have been worth another \$50,000. Therefore the company needs to make back \$100,000 simply to be able to go on making more films. When the costs of duplication and marketing are thrown in, it turns out that the distributor must charge about \$150 per copy with a sales expectation of 1,000 units. At that price, the producer will only cover costs! And let me tell you, it takes a lot of marketing to sell 1,000 copies to schools and libraries.

On the other hand, if a title is produced with the assumption that the producers are going to sell it in a broader marketplace to consumers who have an interest in the subject, they can price it differently. For instance, if I have determined my distribution strategy so that I know that I can sell 6,000 copies of my title to video stores, mail order, etc. then I can afford to sell the same title for \$30 retail to make the same return as selling 1,000 copies at \$150 each.

Now, at \$30 a copy, the pricing looks a lot more like a book than a video. It is therefore obvious that those titles you see coming in at under \$50 are assuming some other market besides schools and libraries.

#### ♣ **COSTS OF MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTION**

A producer is not finished with a production after the tape is edited and mastered. He or she still needs to get it to market. The producer has to buy ads, do mailings, and work the market in an effort to achieve the projected sales volume needed to make a profit. For the do-it-yourself producer, these marketing costs can add up to nearly half the cost of producing the program in the first place.

Out of basic fear of marketing, many producers assign their titles to the catalogs of distributors of educational videos. It is these distributors who keep the librarian's mail



slot full. They maintain mailing lists, print catalogs and flyers, and set the prices on the tapes. This is where the big boost in cost to the librarian comes in.

I have found that the standard distribution deal between a catalog educational distributor and a producer provides the creative side with about 25 to 30 percent of the sales price. In simple terms, that means that if you buy a videotape for \$400 out of a catalog, the producer is getting only about \$100. I guess the educational distributors have very high mailing costs.

#### ♣ *THE VIDEO LIFE CYCLE*

The issue of life cycle of videos is really the corollary of the volume of sales issue. Does the producer expect to sell our hypothetical 6,000 copies of a title immediately or over a multiuser life of the title? If the return is expected to be rather immediate, the producer can afford to price lower than for a title that will achieve a sales goal out over several years. What this means is that to some degree, the higher the price, the longer the producer expects to go before seeing his or her money back.

#### ♣ *THE PRODUCER'S PROFIT*

Somebody must be making a profit in producing special interest videos. (Other than the big distributors, I haven't figured out who this might be.) Still, the issue of profit is always there. And the issue of profit is really a major part of the consideration listed above.

Everybody in the chain that is attempting to sell the tape to libraries expects to make a profit. So, on top of everything else in the equation of video pricing, you have to add some profit for all of the parties involved in the sale. In the movie industry, profits are the highest concern.

But most of us aren't making films and videos for the glitzy theatrical market. We are writers, producers, and technicians who enjoy our art and craft. But we have to learn a lot more about pricing in the new video world. Our confusion on this issue must certainly lead to confusion among media librarians. But, until the competition forces standards in our emerging video industry, the prices you pay will continue to be all over the lot. My best advice for new is to start shopping for the best combination of price and quality, and make sure you are getting something pretty special if you are paying more than \$200 a copy for any video program.

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## Government Documents/ Fugitive Literature

**American Indian Health Care Association. Scope of the problem of alcohol and substance abuser among American Indian and Alaska Native Communities.** May 1992. \$20.00.

Contact: American Indian Health Care Association, 245 East Sixth Street, Suite 499, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101. Tel: (612) 293-0233. Fax: (612) 293-9048.

**U.S. NIAAA. Alcohol Research: Promise for the Decade.** Rockville, MD: NIAAA 1993. (A ten-year plan for the institute)

Contact: Diane Miller, NIAAA Rm. 16C-14, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Tel: (301) 443-3860

**Health and Welfare Canada. "The Use of Alcohol and Other Drugs by Older Canadians and its Consequences."** Ottawa: Health and Welfare Canada, 1993. 52pp. Distributed by Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse, 112 Kent Street, Suite 480, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1P 5P2. \$5.00.

This is one of a series of reports describing the results of Canada's National Alcohol and Other Drugs Survey(1980). This report focuses on the consumption of alcohol and other drugs by Canadians 55 years of age and older, related behaviour and consequences. Also issued in French.

**"Dual Disorders: Alcoholism, Drug Dependence and Mental Health."** Edited by Diane Riley. Ottawa: Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse, 1993. 59pp. \$15.00.

A collection of five papers that were delivered in a symposium sponsored by the CCSA at the Congress of the World Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation in October 1991. Contributors are Judith Blackwell, John E. Helzer & Thomas R. Pryzbeck, Juan C. Negrete, N. el-Guebaly, and Frederick B. Glaser, with foreword by Diane Riley.

**R. Solomon and S. Usprich. "Consent, Negligence & Confidentiality -- A Legal Primer for Canadian Employee Assistance Programs."** Ottawa: Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse, 1993. 30pp. \$7.50.

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# What's New in Reference Sources

## Directory

**Drug, Alcohol, and Other Addictions: A Directory of Treatment Centers and Prevention Programs Nationwide.** Second Edition. Phoenix, Arizona: ORYX Press 1993. 646 pp.

Based initially on the NDATUS survey, this directory lists nearly 12,000 facilities and programs. Entries may include the average daily census of facilities; the average duration of stay for residential and inpatient settings; specific addictions treated; treatment methods; payment options; specialized programs for specific groups (African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, veterans, the elderly, pregnant women, children, and more); crisis hotline numbers; addresses and phone numbers of parent organizations; and special accommodations for evening and/or weekend hours, child care, and wheelchair accessibility.

Although much of this data is available free from the clearinghouse publication, National Directory of Drug Abuse and Alcoholism Treatment and Prevention Programs, the ORYX Directory is more current, and provides more information on more programs.

Useful as a referral tool for health professionals and as a basic reference source in libraries. To order: Send \$195.00 ORYX Press at 4041 N. Central, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-3397. Call toll free 1-800-279-6799 or (602) 265-2651; fax toll free 1-800-279-4663 or (602) 265-6250.

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## ("MARC"ing Time - Part I continues)

(4) Unless more efficient processes are used for cataloging, more documents and less resources means less access.

Well, what do you think? Is dealing with MARC format records a factor in your library? There are more issues, but I'm going to save them for next time. Please contact me if you have comments or experiences you'd like to share. I'm RADAR #3057, otherwise: ADP Resource Center Library, 1700 K St., Sacramento CA 95814 (916)324-5439.

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# Periodical News

A new abstracting service is in the works! Carfax will be publishing Addiction Abstracts, a quarterly, beginning 1994. No news on the price as yet. Watch this column for more information.

Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment becomes a bimonthly beginning with 1993 issues.

Acquire: Alcohol Concern's Quarterly Information and Research Bulletin, Vol. 1 No. 1 Summer 1992 has just come across my desk. Apparently, two issues have been published to date, with news of alcohol-related statistics, current research, updates on events from Parliament, conference reports, etc.

Subscription: (20 pounds Sterling)

Alcohol Concern

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An advertisement for Substance Abuse Funding News has just arrived from CD Publications. Call 1-800-666-6380 for a sample issue. Subscription rate is reduced at this offer to \$179 for 24 twice-monthly issues. Covers funding opportunities from Federal Government foundations and private organizations. Contact:

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# Thesaurus News

The NIAAA/CSAP Thesaurus project convened a meeting with the advisory group in early April, to present the newest version of the thesaurus. Plans are underway to make this revision available to the public in early summer. A workshop training is being organized by Dianne Welsh and Kathleen Mullen of CSR for presentation at the upcoming SALIS conference in October. This will be a hands-on training for using the thesaurus in searching the ETOH Database. If any of you would like to suggest ideas for this training, contact Diane Welsh at (202)842-7600.

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## New Books

Skoll, Geoffrey R. Walk the Walk and Talk the Talk: An Ethnography of a Drug Abuse Treatment Facility. Philadelphia Temple University Press, 1992. ISBN: 0-87722-917-1 195 pp.

Trimble, Joseph E., Catherine Bolck and Steve J. Niemcryk. Ethnic and Multicultural Drug Abuse: Perspectives on Current Research. NY, NY: Harrington Park Press, 1993. 375 pp. ISBN 1-56023-023-1 \$24.95. (Note: Also published as Drugs and Society Vol. 6 No.'s 1-4).

Harold D. Holder and Jan M. Howard, eds. Community Prevention Trials for Alcohol Problems: Methodological Issues. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 1992. \$49.95.

Joyce H. Lowinson, Pedro Ruiz and Robert B. Millman. Substance Abuse: A Comprehensive Textbook. Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins, 1992.

Ottomanelli, Gennaro. HIV Infection and Intravenous Drug Use. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 1992. \$39.95.

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## Missing Journals - HELP!

The Center of Alcohol Studies Library at Rutgers University is missing volume 5 of Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly (yes, the entire volume). If anyone has extra issues they can spare, please contact Penny Page at the Center of Alcohol Studies, Smithers Hall, Allison Rd., Piscataway, NJ 08855-0969. Phone: (908) 932-4442. We've had a lot of requests for material from this volume and would like to replace it as soon as possible. Thanks for any help that you can provide.

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(Stories From ALCNews continues)

### ♣ PowerMaster

Also in 1991, a news summary of a Wall Street Journal article titled, "Potent, New Heileman Malt is Brewing Fierce Industry and Social Criticism" set off a campaign to stop production of PowerMaster. PowerMaster was a malt liquor with 7.4% alcohol content (by volume) targeted at African American men. As a result of protests by many groups, the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms eventually revoked label approval for this product. Industry Materials

### ♣ Pride Beer

This year, as a result of periodic searches on ALCNews' Alcohol Industry Materials Database, Pamela Rahn, the Prevention Coordinator for Stepping Stone, a gay and lesbian advocacy group in San Diego, has used alcohol beverage industry articles discussing the potential link between alcohol use with AIDS and HIV to initiate debates in the media around the problematic nature of marketing alcohol to the gay and lesbian market. Most recently, as a result of an article which appears in the ALCNews database, Rahn has undertaken a campaign against Pride Beer, a product brewed and developed by gay marketers which purportedly seeks to contribute revenue and a sense of "pride" to the gay community. As a result of Rahn's efforts, other advocacy groups like the Scott Newman Center have joined to try to educate the marketers of Pride around alcohol related problems in gay and general populations. Work around this issue still continues.

### ♣ HIV and AIDS Conference

Also in 1993, media advocates used information from the industry materials database for alcohol and AIDS media advocacy action scheduled for April 22nd in San Diego. In particular, it was important to them to see that the alcohol beverage industry is worried about the links between alcohol, HIV and AIDS - this motivated prevention workers to move on the issue quickly. They held both a demonstration and a press conference at the opening of the University of California at San Diego's first national conference on HIV and Alcohol.

ALCNews is now available to RADAR members on 5.25 or 3.5 inch computer disk. To order your copy call 1-800-729-6686 and request inventory number CR31-ALCNews on disk. The cost of the disk is \$20.00. Online subscriptions are also available to anyone who is interested. The cost is \$35.00 per year plus 40 cents a minute connect time. To subscribe, contact Knowledge Systems, Inc., Dept: MI, 4124-M Walney Road, Chantilly, VA 22021; phone number (703)631-8622.

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## **Farewell from the Chair**

*Jill Austin, Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse*

My term as SALIS Chair will end at the 1993 conference in San Francisco. This being the last issue of SALIS News to be published before the conference, I would like to take the opportunity to provide an update on activities, and to say farewell.

First, I would like to say how pleased I am that SALIS has now obtained 501(c)(3) status. This exempts the organization from Federal income tax retroactive to March 1988, and makes SALIS eligible to apply for grants. The SALIS Executive has been working on this for several years, and it has been a frustrating and difficult process. I would like, on behalf of all SALIS members, to thank Tom Colthurst for his hard work in negotiating the internal revenue minefield, as Treasurer this year. Tom has had to learn more than I'm sure he ever wanted to know about accounting and tax law, and has led us through this with his usual thoroughness and good humor.

One of the tasks I took on as Chair was to develop a procedures manual for SALIS. I have been working my way through a boxful of SALIS files to put together a binder of procedures and processes, job descriptions, and sample documents. The manual should assist members of

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## **Officers Needed for SALIS**

SALIS NEEDS YOU! If you ever wonder how things get done for SALIS, or don't agree with SALIS policies, or simply want to get more involved, now is the time to speak up! The SALIS Nominating Committee is accepting nominations for: Chair-Elect, a one year term followed by

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## **SALIS Gains 501(c)(3) Status!**

After several years, two lawyers, one CPA and a few SALIS Board Members persistence and hard work, SALIS has received a 501(c)(3). Much credit goes to Tom Colthurst SALIS Treasurer for this year's efforts, and the final receipt of new status.

What does it mean?

Basically a 501(c)(3) gives SALIS the status of a Not-For-Profit group. We are eligible to receive grants, tax deductible donations, and a bulk mail permit. More details on this at the SALIS Conference business meeting in October.

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# The Inter-American Drug Information System: A priority

line of action of the INTER-AMERICAN DRUG CONTROL COMMISSION (CICAD) of the ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OAS)

*Ruth Connolly, Inter-American Documentation Center*

The Inter-American Drug Information System (IADIS), sponsored by the Organization of American States (OAS) and its specialized agency, the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), has as its mission the strengthening of the capacity of governments, institutions and individuals in the Western Hemisphere to combat the illicit drug problem by:

- a) promoting and nurturing throughout the Inter-American region a decentralized network of libraries and information centers,
- b) developing and implementing a multinational structure for the collection, processing, dissemination and use of information about all aspects of the drug problem,
- c) facilitating the use of this information, particularly for the design and implementation of anti-drug policies, and
- d) providing technical support and training to its member centers.

IADIS was created as a response to the concern over the lack of the pertinent and accurate drug-related information needed by Western Hemisphere policymakers when the 35 Member States of the Organization of American States created CICAD in 1986. In organizing IADIS, the Executive Secretariat of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD) first sought a consensus from governmental and non-governmental organizations in the Americas on the feasibility of an Hemispheric information network on drugs. Having received the go-ahead, and following an organizational meeting in 1991, in which 15 institutions participated, the IADIS Coordination proceeded to recruit its current 28 members.

IADIS is currently building its network. The Inter-American Drug Documentation and Information Center (IADIC), located at CICAD headquarters in Washington, D.C., serves as the clearinghouse for the System's 28 member libraries and documentation and information centers located in 16 Western Hemisphere

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# Net News -- AOTD LISTSERV Discussion Lists

*Nancy Sutherland*

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An informal survey of SALIS members who use the Internet revealed that many of us are using Internet for e-mail, some are also using the telnet function to search databases on remote computers, but few have tried using LISTSERV discussion lists on the Internet and Bitnet networks. For even a novice Internetter, a LISTSERV is a pretty simple way to broaden your use of the network and start making contacts with others who share your interests. Anyone with an Internet or Bitnet e-mail address can participate.

## ♣ What is a LISTSERV Discussion List?

LISTSERV is a computer program used by computers in the BITNET network to manage "discussion lists" on specific topics. [Internet users access LISTSERVs via a gateway from their Internet host.] A LISTSERV Discussion List is a topic-oriented forum to which readers "subscribe," somewhat like an electronic newsletter. A few thousand discussion lists are available, including several having to do with substance abuse. A reader who "subscribes" to a particular discussion list receives messages from other subscribers automatically in her e-mail inbox, and can post messages to the discussion list so that all other subscribers will receive them. Messages are distributed to list subscribers almost immediately after they are posted, so that whenever you check your mail you will find an accumulation of messages posted to the lists to which you subscribe. A Discussion List has some features in common with electronic bulletin boards (BBS) and with USENET; in fact many LISTSERV discussion lists are also available via USENET. There are also similarities with the CSAP PREVline system.

It is important (though confusing) to understand the difference between the LISTSERV (a program which manages the list) and the Discussion List itself. The LISTSERV program performs its functions automatically, without human intervention, such as receiving subscription requests and automatically signing up the subscriber to a discussion list that is specified. The LISTSERV runs in the background, serving the list. Lists are given a "listname" when they are created, such as the ones below devoted to discussions of alcohol and other drug abuse.

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## "MARC"ing Time - Part II

Ira Bray

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On warm summer nights here in the Sacramento Valley of California, we wait for the cool breeze from the San Francisco Bay to wind its way up the delta and give us some relief. Often weather is something with which we cope rather than enjoy.

Technology can be like that sometimes; a well designed software program might help you in your work, however, a badly designed program can create more work for you. Fortunately we have somewhat more control over the programs and machines we choose to work with than we have over the weather.

This past three weeks I have been frankly overwhelmed trying to supervise the "enhancement" of a program we use to help us manage the process of distributing materials (brochures, pamphlets, posters, etc.) on ATOD. Without going into extensive detail, it brought home the importance of understanding business processes before automating them. The processes before the rewriting of the program were to a great extent dictated by the limitations of the program. Now we have modified the program to conform to the way we think we should do business. A myriad of details and improvements need to be made, but the thrust of the changes will help us be more efficient.

Which in a way brings us back to using the Marc format for cataloging. One method to be more efficient is to copy catalog. If a record already exists for the item you have in hand, why spend your precious time and money to create a new record yourself? The advantage of MARC is that, as a standard, it allows the interchange of records between systems. For example, you can subscribe to a service that will provide all of the Government Printing Office item descriptions in MARC format on CD-ROM. This includes many (but not all) of the items distributed by NCADI. You can also search the disc by author, title, subject or keyword, a wonderful aid for identifying documents for acquisition. The records can be imported into your own system as long as it can accept MARC format.

Some work may still need to be done to assign call numbers, local subject terms, etc., if necessary, but the bulk of the work has been done for you. The costs for these subscriptions should pay for themselves in reduced cataloging costs and the improved access to your collection.

Perhaps SALIS members could cooperate to create cataloging for the other NCADI items and circulate these records via RADAR. Any volunteers? Please give me a

call if you'd like more information on the cataloging products or if you have comments or suggestions, RADAR ECS # 3057.

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## 1993 Conference News

Tina Miller, Prevention Research Center

It's hard to believe, but this year's conference is almost here. Registration packets were mailed in July. If you haven't received one, please let me know and I'll mail one to you.

Don't put off making your hotel reservations! We have reserved a block of 60 rooms, based on attendance at previous conferences, but it's beginning to look like we may have a high turn-out this year. You can always cancel a reservation if you decide not to come, so make your reservation early.

If you would like to share a hotel room, I can mail or fax you a list of other people who are also looking for roommates. Please note that it is up to you to make your own arrangements; I just provide the list!

Our conference program will feature a number of invited speakers, but we still have room for more contributed papers from SALIS members, especially on topics other than smoking and HIV. If you are interested in presenting a paper, please contact me right away.

In addition to our regular program, we are also offering two workshops on Sunday, October 3rd. "Introduction to the Internet" will be offered from 10:00 to 12:30, and "Searching ETOH with the New AOD Thesaurus" is scheduled for 1:30 to 4:00. These will be hands-on sessions at a computer training facility located at the University of California, San Francisco. The facility has 24 computers, 12 PC's and 12 MacIntoshes. In order to break even on costs, we will need a minimum of 20 participants, and we can accept up to 48 in each workshop. You can register for either one or both, and acceptance will be on a first-come, first-served basis. **Please note:** if fewer than 20 persons have enrolled by September 10th the workshops will be cancelled. So register early if you want to attend!

One last note: my office has moved. My telephone and FAX numbers have not changed, but my mailing address is now: Prevention Research Center Library, 2150 Shattuck Ave., Suite 900, Berkeley, CA 94704. See you in October!

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## News From Canada

Sheila LaCroix, Addiction Research Foundation

In this issue, I will briefly highlight events and happenings of current interest from different areas around and about Canada.

### ♣ *Status of Provincial Substance Abuse Agencies*

Economic cutbacks, a common experience for all of us working in publically funded organizations, are resulting in restructuring and streamlining. We have been fortunate in Canada to have provincial agencies, such as the Addiction Research Foundation in Ontario, dedicated solely to the issue of drug and alcohol abuse. Already both the provinces of Newfoundland and Nova Scotia have absorbed the substance abuse function into the provincial health ministry; Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, British Columbia, North West Territories, and the Yukon also handle substance abuse issues within the provincial health ministry. Saskatchewan has followed suit, and by August 1993, SADAC, The Saskatchewan Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, will be integrated into the provincial department of health. One wonders, if down the road, large amounts of public money will be required to reestablish some of these agencies! However, in the meantime, we must attempt to keep in touch with the appropriate staff in our Canadian network.

### ♣ *Graduated Driving Licenses*

Graduated licenses may be coming to Ontario. Although drinking and driving is declining, there is always room for improvement, and young drivers do account for a significant number of DWI accidents. Under the proposed legislation, during Stage One, which will last from 8 to 12 months, new drivers must have a zero blood alcohol level. Other restrictions will also apply. The second stage lasts 12 months, during which most of the Stage One restrictions are dropped. This is a dramatic change from the current procedure for licensure in Ontario. Nova Scotia would have been the first province to introduce gradual licensing had the introduction and passage of the nova Scotia bill not been put on hold by the calling of an election. It will be interesting to see if other provinces follow suit.

### ♣ *Moderate Drinking*

Moderate Drinking is an interesting, controversial topic which keeps all of us on our toes these days as we field calls and questions from a very confused public exposed to a lot of media hype. A conference held recently in Toronto, jointly sponsored by the Addiction Research Foundation, the Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse and

the University of Toronto, addressed the complex issue of moderate alcohol consumption and health, in particular, protection against coronary heart disease. Evidence was presented and reviewed in the context of implications for public health policy. The conference proceedings will be published. In addition, a consensus statement by participants will be made available. The Addiction Research Foundation will publish a statement which will be available from ARF Public Affairs.

For a report on the conference and the moderate drinking issue, see the article by Sharon Airhart in *The Journal*, June 1993, page 5.

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## New Education Package on Seniors and AOD

Debbie Monkman, Addiction Research Foundation

"*Alternatives*" is a new educational package that will help care givers prevent and deal with alcohol and drug problems among older people. It is designed to increase awareness of the risks and problems seniors can encounter with alcohol, sleeping pills, tranquilizers and other depressant drugs.

The "*Alternatives*" kit includes a video, training manuals and other materials for two educational presentations. The first presentation focuses on giving seniors information, addressing some of their common concerns and describing alternatives to relying on alcohol and other drug solutions. The second presentation is designed to help professionals who work with older people to recognize and deal with their client's alcohol and other drug-related problems. There are also two new pamphlets entitled "The Older Adult and Alcohol" and "The Older Adult and Sleeping Pills, Tranquilizers, and Pain Medications."

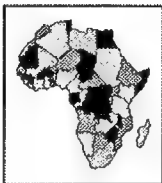
"*Alternatives*" can be purchased for \$115 (Canadian) plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes, from ARF Marketing at 1-800-661-1111. Addiction pamphlets can be purchased in packages of 25 for \$30. (Package also available in French).

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# News From South Africa

Judith Shopley

South African National Council on  
Alcoholism and Drug Dependence  
(SANCA)



As a new entry in the SALIS Directory it would be appropriate to introduce this organization internationally via the SALIS News. Pertinent information about the library services of SANCA can be found in this "new entry," SALIS News Vol. 13 No. 1, Spring 1993

SANCA is the only national organization in South Africa which in terms of its mission concerns itself with prevention and treatment of alcohol and other drug abuse and dependence. It might be true to say that this library is the only additions library in Southern Africa (how about Africa?).

There are both in-patient and out-patient clinics situated throughout South Africa. Some of the bigger clinics maintain their own small libraries, for the use of staff and patients. Information generated via the Current Awareness service is kept in these "satellite" libraries.

The main library is also known as the Multi Media Resource Service. As mentioned in the Directory entry, the holdings encompass monographs, serials, printed materials, and audio visual material. When orientation with students and staff members is handled, they are amazed at the amount of information contained in the library. We benefit tremendously from information generated "overseas."

The operates as a 'one man' facility. Since I hold many portfolios, it can be rather interesting. As a registered social worker, my day is constantly interrupted with crises calls. In the absence of a clinic at this office, knowledge of referral and community resources is crucial. Information queries are most interesting and varied. These can range from telephonic response to dispatch of pamphlets as well as offering services in terms of both the Current Awareness Service (to SANCA societies) or the Fee-based service (to both academic and general public).

In my capacity as the Librarian, networking is a very important component, which not only entails attendance at meetings, but also other types of informal contact. As part of management for the National office, I am involved in management meetings, planning, budgeting, and decision making. This facet of my job lends itself to pursuing Public Relations and Marketing activities for SANCA in particular and the field of substance abuse in general.

Another component of my portfolio is that of Editor for

our national newsletter, SANCA Forum. This publication reflects developments, news, and views of this field in South Africa.

Interspersed with this is the important operation of computerization. The package called Microscribe was specifically developed in South Africa by a librarian and is an integrated library package for small libraries. Unfortunately due to a busy workload this area is sadly neglected.

This librarian welcomes any contact with other interested substance abuse librarians. South Africa is no longer isolated - neither from a political stance as well as in terms of the escalation of substance abuse problems!

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## *(Officers Needed for SALIS continues)*

a one year term as Chair 94-95; Secretary, a two year term, and three Members-At-Large, a one year term. All of these positions begin at the close of the SALIS Conference, October 1993. Self-selected Nominees are welcome! For more information, please contact Lisa Swanberg, Past-Chair SALIS and Chair of the Nominating Committee at 1-800-729-6686, ext. 219 or (301) 468-2600, ext. 219, (PREVline #2008), Nancy Sutherland at 206-543-0937 (PREVline #4027) or Tressa Youngbear at 319-398-5133 (PREVline #3018).

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Rockville, MD. National Institute on Drug Abuse; [Washington, D.C.: Supt. of Docs., U.S. G.P.O., distributor, 1993]. NIH publication; no. 93-3498.

United States. Congress. House. Committee on Government Operations. Legislation and National Security Subcommittee. The National Drug Control Strategy: Joint Hearing Before the Legislation and National Security Subcommittee and Government Information, Justice, and Agriculture Subcommittee and Hearings Before the Legislation and... Washington: U.S. G.P.O. : For sale by the U.S. G.P.O., Supt. of Docs., Congressional Sales Office, 1993-.

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## New Books



**Fekjaer, Hans Olav. Alcohol and Illicit Drugs: Myths and Realities.** Columbo: Alcohol and Drug Information Center, 1993. ISBN: 955-605-024-8. \$17.00 US & Canada, \$15.00 all others. ADIC, 40/18 Park Rd., Columbo 05, Sri Lanka. "Promotes the view that there are obvious non pharmacological explanations for the apparently 'magic' influence of intoxications."

**Cannabis: Physiopathology, Epidemiology, Detection: From the Proceedings of the Second International Symposium.** Organized by the National Academy of Medicine, with the assistance of the city of Paris, April 8-9, 1992. Boca Raton: CRC Press, 1993.

**Edwards, Griffith, John Strang, and Jerome H. Jaffe. Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco: Making the Science and Policy Connections.** Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 1993. Series title: Oxford Medical Publications.

**Gefou-Madianou, Dimitra. Alcohol, Gender, and Culture.** London; New York: Routledge, 1992.

**Gerstein, Dean R. and Lawrence W. Green (eds.). Preventing Drug Abuse: What do we know?** Washington, DC: National Academy Press, 1993. ISBN: 0-309-04627-0.

**Inciardi, James A., Ruth Horowitz, and Anne E. Pottierger. Street Kids, Street Drugs, Street Crime: An Examination of Drug Use and Serious Delinquency in Miami.** Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Pub. Co., 1993.

**Inciardi, James A., Frank M. Tims, and Bennett W. Fletcher (eds.). Innovative Approaches in the Treatment of Drug Abuse.** Connecticut: Greenwood Press, 1993. \$49.95 ISBN: 0-313-28422-9.

**Karch, Steven B. The Pathology of Drug Abuse.** Boca Raton: CRC Press, 1993.

**Vallance, Theodore R. Prohibition's Second Failure: The Quest For a Rational and Humane Drug Policy.** Westport, CN: Praeger, 1993. \$47.95 ISBN: 0-275-94482-4.

**Yirmiya, Raz and Anna N. Taylor. Alcohol, Immunity, and Cancer.** Boca Raton: CRC Press, 1993.

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## Government Document/ Fugitive Literature

**Enforcement of Underage Impaired-driving Laws: Issues, Problems, Recommended Solutions.** [Washington, D.C.]: U.S. Dept. of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, [1993].

**European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction. Health Related Data and Epidemiology in the European Community / Commission of the European Communities, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA).** Luxembourg: Office for Official Publications of the European Communities; Lanham, MD: UNIPUB [distributor], 1993.

**Jutkowitz, Joel M. (et al). Survey on Drug Prevalence and Attitudes in Urban Panama.** Arlington, VA: Development Associates, Inc. for the US Agency for International Development (A.I.D.) Bureau for Research and Development 1992.

**Jutkowitz, Joel M. (et al). Survey on Drug Prevalence and Attitudes in Urban Panama.** Arlington, VA: Development Associates, Inc. for the US Agency for International Development (A.I.D.) Bureau for Research and Development 1992. This and the above Jutkowitz citation can be obtained through the Narcotics Awareness and Education Project, 1730 N. Lynn St., Arlington, VA 22209-2023. (703) 276-0677 FAX: (703) 276-0432

**Lewis, Milton. A Rum State: alcohol and state policy in Australia.** Australia: Australian Government Publishing Service, 1992. \$24.95 ISBN: 0-644-22024-4. Order from AGPS Mail Order Sales, GPO Box 84, Canberra ACT 2601. Explains the development of alcohol control and treatment policies from the late nineteenth century to the 1980's. Historic trends in alcohol consumption are examined and the devastating effects of alcohol on Aboriginal society are traced.

**Roemer, Ruth. Legislative Action to Combat the World Tobacco Epidemic.** 2nd edition. Geneva: World Health Organization, 1993.

**Rogowski, Jeannette A. Private Versus Public Sector Insurance Coverage For Drug Abuse.** Santa Monica, CA: Rand, 1993.

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## Periodical News

CSAP's NCADI has produced a very handy and useful Resource Guide entitled, Alcohol and Other Drug Related Periodicals. It provides title, publisher, cost, address, and annotation on nearly 100 predominately North American journals and newsletters whose main coverage is concerned with the alcohol and other drug area. FREE from the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI) Pub. #MS449 1992.

Beginning 1993, Alcohol Digest is the translated English version of the abstract journal Alcohol Selectief, a Dutch publication produced by the Alcohol Documentation Centre of TNO Nutrition and Food Research since 1983. Each quarterly issue contains sixty articles selected for inclusion from the nearly 2500 scientific papers published each year. Abstracts, generally 300-400 words in length, are arranged by topic, clearly written and informative. Subscription to this publication is Free. This is a Reference Source which is very much needed and highly recommended! Address: TNO Nutrition and Food Research, P.O. Box 360, 3700 AJ Zeist, The Netherlands. Contact: Monique Van Ruyven, FAX: 3134 045-7224

I have received an announcement from Haworth Medical Press on a new journal entitled, Journal of Maintenance in the Addictions, edited by J. Thomas Payte, MD. Free sample issue available on request.

Journal of Public Policy and Marketing, Vol. 12(1), Spring 1993 devotes most of its contents, eight articles to be exact, to the topic "Alcohol Warnings." For single issue, contact American Marketing Association, 250 South Wacker Drive, Ste. 200, Chicago, IL 60606. Contact Kelly Shermach (312) 831-2795. \$25.00.

Journal of Mental Health Administration ran two special issues devoted to 1) Substance Abuse Services and 2) Multicultural Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in the Spring and Fall, 1992. For single issue, contact: Association of Mental Health Administrators, 60 Revere Dr., Ste. 500, Northbrook, IL 60062. (708)480-9626. \$15.00.

SALIS Home has sample copies of the current issue Vol. 5(1) 1993 of Alcologia. Alcologia is the official journal of the Italian Society of Alcoholology. Most articles are in English. Anyone who would like to consider this journal for subscription, please write for a copy to: SALIS Home, P.O. Box 9513, Berkeley, CA 94709 or FAX (510) 642-7175.

SAM (Substance Abuse Monthly) is an indexing and abstracting service published ten times per year by the

Alcohol and Drug Foundation (Australia). Its main focus is the psychological and social aspects literature in the alcohol and drug field. This includes such areas as education, epidemiology, policy, harm reduction, treatment, consumption patterns, legal issues, availability, and health promotion. Over 150 journal titles are used in this selection process. These include the major alcohol and drug journals from the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand. Address: Alcohol and Drug Foundation, P.O. Box 529, South Melbourne VIC 3205, Australia.

FASA Update: News from Funders Against Substance Abuse Vol. 1 (1) Winter 1993, is a unique offering. This first issue has an interview with FASA's chairperson, Marni Vliet which covers the history and mission of the organization, as well as, benefits of membership. Lisa Falk, Editor (617) 437-9394 or FAX (617) 437-1500.

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### *(Farewell From Chair continues)*

the Executive to do their jobs, serve as an introduction to SALIS for new members, and provide a reference tool for the organization during transition periods. The first draft of the manual will be available at the SALIS conference.

During the past year, I have been promoting SALIS at every opportunity, as has the rest of the Executive Board. I am surprised at the number of people working in this field who have not heard of SALIS, and am certain of the need for us all to continue to promote SALIS to our colleagues, particularly to people new to this field. SALIS has the opportunity to serve as an international focal point for information exchange on substance abuse issues. I encourage you to be thinking about the direction that SALIS should take over the next years to make this happen, and to bring those ideas to San Francisco in October.

I would like to conclude by thanking the Executive Board for their hard work this past year, and to commend Tina Miller and her conference planning committee for their tireless work. Thanks to them, the San Francisco meeting is shaping up as a terrific event. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Andrea Mitchell for her support, her hard work as Editor of SALIS News, her work on the conference planning committee, and her constant commitment to SALIS. It has been an honor for me to represent SALIS this year as Chair, and I hope to see all of you in San Francisco, where we will welcome Gail Weinberg as the new Chair. See you then!

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countries: Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad y Tobago, the United States, Uruguay, and Venezuela. Once organized and functional, the Inter-American Data Bank, a CICAD-implemented data bank whose mission is to compile statistics on the illicit drug problem in the Hemisphere, will also complement the work of IADIS.

In addition to these formal members of IADIS, there are a number of other institutions which have provided excellent technical collaboration and have contributed to the execution of its activities.

In terms of topical content, the information collected in IADIS is to cover the historical, sociopolitical, cultural, economic, ecological, legal, educational, prevention, treatment, rehabilitation, production, and trafficking aspects of the illicit drug problem in the Western Hemisphere. Also collected, although secondarily, are materials from other areas of the world which impact the problem in the Hemisphere. Information is compiled in Spanish, English, French and Portuguese, the four official languages of the Organization of American States.

IADIS is open for the use of any individual, institution or entity concerned with the problem of illicit drugs. Services and products currently offered include: informational materials delivery, searches of literature holdings, reference, referral and clearinghouse activities. These services are delivered through the IADIS Clearinghouse - the Inter-American Drug Documentation and Information Center (IADIC), - and through IADIS member centers in the different countries of the Hemisphere. Future services contemplated include cooperative cataloguing and the dissemination of complete texts. At present, the users of IADIS are designated as being, in order of priority, Western Hemisphere policy makers and members of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), IADIS member centers, academic/scientific/ teaching professionals, parents, students, and the general public. In addition to the provision of library type information services, IADIS members also cooperate with each other in the development and execution of joint projects.

The IADIS Coordination in Washington establishes, with members' input, policies and procedures for IADIS' growth and evaluation, as well as norms and standards for information processing. It provides, often with member cooperation, technical assistance, training, and technological support to member centers. It oversees the development and implementation of agreed-upon joint projects, promotes the use and distribution of drug-related information, and

undertakes resource management activities.

The resources that IADIS offers to its members are its links and access to the 35 Member States of the Organization of American States and its knowledge of institutions in each of these states working on the illicit drug problem. Other resources available either through the IADIS Coordination or its member centers are: operational bibliographic and electronic formats for documental and referential information processing, access to large centralized databases, and access to financial and technical resources identified by the IADIS Coordination.

To be a member of IADIS, an institution must have a library, documentation or information center with a collection on an aspect of the illicit drug problem. It must offer service to the public and to other IADIS network members, collect information on a particular drug-related topic, contribute to IADIS' centralized database, provide it with feedback and participate in its projects and meetings.

Since its organization meeting in 1991, IADIS has developed and provided to its members methodological and electronic formats and manuals for processing bibliographical and audiovisual materials, as well as referential databases on institutions and specialists working on the illicit drug problem in the Hemisphere. It has also developed and implemented on a sample basis, a common format and database with the dumped records of eleven IADIS members and collaborators, including in the United States, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI), and the United States Department of Justice's National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) and Drugs and Crime Data Center and Clearinghouse (DCDCC). We are in the process of converting the drug-database collections of approximately 15 institutions into this common format for the first edition of this common database. The production of a CD-ROM with documental and referential information from all over the Hemisphere is also planned for later this year.

At the first meeting of IADIS member centers, held just recently in May 1993, the members decided on operational policies and strategies, and mechanisms of cooperation, inter-center communication and information promotion that will guide the activities of IADIS over the next one to two year period.

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### ♣ How to Subscribe to a LISTSERV Discussion List

Commands to subscribe, unsubscribe, and other such functions are addressed and sent to the LISTSERV (remember, the phantom program running in the background), via an e-mail message. In your message, you tell the LISTSERV what you want it to do (e.g. "subscribe"), the name of the list you want to subscribe to (e.g. "ALCOHOL") and your name. The LISTSERV handles the rest for you, even discerning your e-mail address automatically. You will usually get an immediate reply from the LISTSERV confirming your subscription. The most common mistake people make is to send their commands to the Discussion List, where they are seen by all subscribers, instead of the LISTSERV.

The usual format for sending a subscription command to a LISTSERV is:

[to] listserv@node.bitnet [or the internet address]

[text] subscribe [listname] firstname lastname

[send]

Do not put anything in the "subject" line, or anything else in the text of the message except as noted in the above example. To cancel a subscription, do the same in reverse using the command "unsubscribe."

### ♣ AOD DISCUSSION LIST

ADDICT-L is the listname of a list started by David Delmonico at Kent State University for the purpose of "academic and scholarly discussion of addiction related topics." To subscribe, send a message to:

listserv@kentvm.bitnet or listserv@kentvm.kent.edu

ALCOHOL is the listname for "Alcohol & Drug Studies." To subscribe, send a message to:

listserv@lmuacad.bitnet

DRUGABUS is the listname for "Drug Abuse Education, Information and Research." To subscribe, send a message to:

listserv@umab.bitnet

SMOKE-FREE is a list for people who are trying to give up smoking. To subscribe, send a message to:

listserv@ra.msstate.edu

On July 1, Barry Jones in the Department of Psychology, University of Glasgow, announced the creation of a new list called ALCOHOL-PSYCHOL; by posting messages on other lists, including the ones mentioned above, he signed up twenty-five subscribers in just two days. Aimed especially to psychologists, ALCOHOL-PSYCHOL will begin distribution in August. Note the slightly different address for subscriptions:

mailbase@mailbase.ac.uk [outside U.K.]  
mailbase@uk.ac.mailbase [inside U.K.]

There are many sources available on the use of listservs and other Internet resources. For help or more information, check with the computer resource where you received your internet user I.D. and address.

If there is enough interest within SALIS for creating a SALIS listserv, I will look into the possibility of doing that. If anyone has comments or questions, please feel free to send e-mail to me at adailib@u.washington.edu.

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## Book Out of Print

Ed Rapazzini is looking for a book by Gregory Austin entitled Alcohol in Western Society From Antiquity to 1800: A Chronological History (1985). If anyone has a duplicate copy or a copy that is not being used anymore, please contact him at: CBBSM, Rm. 106 MUDD Building, Harvard Med. School, 250 Longwood Ave., Boston, MA 02115. Phone (617)432-1428.

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## ERRATA

The South African Directory entry in the last SALIS News, Vol. 13 No. 1, page 11, had a few mistakes. These are the corrections:

**Automated Systems:** Microscribe integrated library system for small collections.

**Special Collections:** SANCA biennial reports dating back to 1966. See "News from South Africa" in this issue for more information on SANCA.

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## Video ReView

Valerie Mead

Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies



Lately it seems that the educational video business and the economy have a lot in common - they're both in a slump. For the video world, however, it's less a matter of dwindling dollars than a recession of inspiration that is so disconcerting. It's been some time since a drug prevention video has been produced that is singularly effective in mood, style, character and content. I am encouraged by the increasing selection of alcohol/drug videos that offer timely topics reflective of contemporary trends. But when these works sacrifice character development for currency they lose credibility. This is especially important for our visually sensitive young people who need to see images that reflect the complexities of their own lives.

Feeling the drought of innovative programming to draw on for this column, I decided to dig into the past of "golden oldie" programs that have withstood the test of time. Here are films that continue to captivate, provoke, or influence even after repeated showings.

**ALL BOTTLED UP (AIMS Media, 800-367-2467)** is a cleverly crafted work about children of alcoholics. Its simple and straightforward first impression turns into a deeply affecting experience without the viewer knowing when the transition took place. The use of rotoscoping, an animation technique that allows images a life-like quality, and the use of first person narratives give this video an impact long after viewing.

**CADILLAC DREAMS (Pyramid Films, 800-421-2304)** is an evocative and visually lush film set in an urban landscape where dreams and hope walk a tight line with death and destruction. Two brothers struggle to define their own directions in life and each must make decisions about drugs knowing that their choices will affect their lives forever.

**SHOWDOWN ON TOBACCO ROAD (ETR Associates, 800-321-4407)** was originally meant to be controversial and, despite changes in the law that date this video, it will continue to rile audiences for a long time. The festering debate about smokers' vs. non-smokers' rights is encouraged out into the open from all sides affected by the issue. It is an absolute example of how laws that direct people's behaviors, cannot legislate the feelings, attitudes, or beliefs attached to those behaviors.

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## From the Editor

**SALIS News needs more readers!** For all the time and energy which goes into producing an issue such as this one, it bothers me that we are only mailing approximately 300 copies. Do any of you know at least one person, librarian, information specialist, researcher, or administrator that might like to read SALIS News? Please send us the names and addresses of these individuals for a special mailing from SALIS Home to try to increase our readership.

Another need of SALIS News is more contributors! Remember this is an international newsletter. Although this issue reflects a bit more of the international flavor than most, I would like very much to interest persons from Australia, New Zealand, Asia, or Europe to write a column such as the one currently being done by Sheila LaCroix in "NEWS FROM CANADA". More contribution from these countries is needed also for the Government Docs / Fugitive Literature section, New Books, Periodical News, etc!

"ONLINE NEWS" is a column without a writer. Given the continuous eruption of the electronic format, there are so many topics, issues, and databases to be described and critiqued. Certainly there is someone with a lens waiting to focus.

If only I wore just one hat--- that of SALIS News Editor, I am sure this publication would be expanded! But as most of you know, it is simply not possible for one librarian or even four for that matter, to see, hear, understand, think, write and/or solicit all of the "News" in the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs field, which might be useful to some of the world's ATOD Librarians / Information Specialists. In other words, I would like more crew on this librarian's ship. Any volunteers? And don't forget, we need readers too! Send those names to: SALIS NEWS, attn:Mailing list, P.O. Box 9513, Berkeley, CA 94709-0513.

For those of you fortunate enough to be attending this year's conference, I would like to have a meeting for all who are interested in the future of SALIS NEWS. Time and place to be announced.

A.M.

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# 1993 SALIS Membership List Additions

The following additional names have been added to the SALIS membership list. We humbly apologize to those persons who were not included in the last issue of News but had sent in their dues by the deadline date. If your name does not appear on this list and you know you have sent in your SALIS dues, please contact SALIS Home at (510) 642-5208 or Cathy Weglarz at (908) 932-4442.

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## Message from the Chair

Gail Weinberg

University of Minnesota Drug Information Services

It was nice to see so many of your attending the 1993 annual conference in San Francisco, and especially gratifying to see many new faces. I would like once again to thank Tina Miller and the rest of the conference planning committee for their excellent work that made the conference a success. The conference program, choice of hotel, and, of course, the wonderful opportunities for sightseeing contributed to a great four days!

I would also like to thank Jill Austin for her work and commitment to SALIS as Chair last year. Jill now serves as Past Chair until next year's conference. Valerie Mead of the New Jersey Alcohol/Drug Resource Center and Clearinghouse was elected Secretary for a two year term. Tom Colthurst from the Alcohol and Other Drug Studies Program at UC-San Diego remains as Treasurer for the second year of a two year term. As you are aware, we did not have any nominees for Chair-Elect prior to this year's conference. A special election will be held after October 31st to fill this position. Three members at large were elected: Tressa Youngbear of the Iowa Substance Abuse Information Center; Kathy Laws of the Western Center for Drug Free Schools and Communities; and

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## Chair Elect Nominee

Sharon Crockett of the Tennessee AOD Clearinghouse is the nominee for the SALIS Chair Elect, and will assume this position just as soon as SALIS voting members return their ballots. The ballot is enclosed with this issue of News

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## SALIS 15th Annual Business Meetings - Highlights

Catherine Weglarz

Rutgers University Center of Alcohol Studies

Chair Jill Austin of the Canadian National Clearinghouse on Substance Abuse welcomed all participants to San Francisco. She thanked the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention for sponsoring scholarships for 11 RADAR Network members to attend the SALIS 15th Annual Conference. Jill also thanked Tina Miller of the Prevention Research Center Library and the members of the Conference Planning Committee for their efforts. The minutes from the 14th Annual Business Meeting in Nashville, TN were distributed and approved.

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## Conference Report - Canadian SIG

Sheila LaCroix  
Addiction Research Foundation Library

I just got back my photographs from San Francisco - ocean, rolling city scapes and colorful street scenes reflecting the unique architectural style of the homes - and I am basking in fond memories. Being a tourist was a highlight, but so was the conference! It was great to renew acquaintances from Nashville last year, meet new members and take in the fascinating programs and speakers provided by the conference committee.

We were a small group of five, all from Ontario. However, two of us represented national organizations, and one of us a treatment center, so we represented somewhat of a cross section. It is unfortunate that money for travel is either tight or nonexistent in some of provinces at this time.

I agreed to continue as Chair of the Canadian SIG for another year and will continue to co-ordinate the *News from Canada* column in *SALIS News*. In addition, we decided on the following actions to fulfill our mandate to keep SALIS alive and well represented in Canada:

Contact those who missed the conference to acknowledge that they were missed and to provide some highlights of the conference.

Increase awareness of the Scholarship Fund among our members.

Promote the Chicago 1994 conference.

Use publications such as the CCSA's *Action News* and *Clearinghouse Notes* to promote SALIS.

Include a SALIS brochure and a letter highlighting the organization to new members of INET in Canada.

We also will start planning for a return to the SALIS Conference to Canada - Vancouver 1996 or 1997?

Finally, on behalf of all of the Canadian SIG members, I thank Tina Miller and all of her helpers for a well organized, informative conference and we appreciate all of the time and effort involved for Tina and Andrea Mitchell and the SALIS Home staff to have the proceedings published.

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## Professional Organizations for Librarians in Mental Health Settings

Mary E. Johnson  
Mental Health Librarians Section/MLA

Mental health librarians work in a variety of settings - psychiatric hospitals, community mental health centers and agencies, rehabilitation centers, medical schools and academic research centers, schools of professional psychology and psychoanalytic institutes.

Since there is much overlap between mental disorders and addiction disorders, and many of our collections probably contain materials relevant to both areas, I thought it would be appropriate to let SALIS members know about the professional organizations mental health librarians belong to, with the idea that an awareness of some of the diverse areas that come under the umbrella of health sciences librarianship would be beneficial to us all.

There are two organizations for the 200 plus women and men in this specialized field. One is the Mental Health Librarians Section (MHLS) of the Mental Library Association (MLA), and the other is the Association of Mental Health Librarians (AMHL), an affiliate of the Institute of Hospital & Community Psychiatry of the American Psychiatry Association. Many mental health librarians are members of both MHLS and AMHL.

Both organizations provide opportunities for their members to share resources and skills, and to learn both from each other. MHLS provides its members with the opportunity for recognition and development within the profession of librarianship, and AMHL provides its members an opportunity for increased understanding, participation in, and knowledge of the mental health profession. AMHL has a three day meeting every October in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Institute on H&CP. MHLS meets every May in connection with the annual meeting of MLA.

The Communicator, a quarterly newsletter published by MHLS, serves to keep members of both organizations informed and connected. Included with each newsletter is a duplicate journal exchange list. Each organization has a membership directory available to assist in resource sharing.

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# AOD Thesaurus Published!

Kathleen Mullen  
CSR, Incorporated

The SALIS recommendation to develop and construct a comprehensive alcohol and other drug (AOD) thesaurus has achieved fruition. The first edition of the **Alcohol and Other Drug Thesaurus: A Guide to Concepts and Terminology in Substance Abuse and Addiction**, also referred to as the **AOD Thesaurus**, is now published. The **AOD Thesaurus** is a joint project of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) and the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP).

The Thesaurus' principal goal is to standardize terminology for the alcohol and other drug field. It provides an overview of the interdisciplinary nature of the field by attempting to capture and systematize its terminology and concepts and properly relate numerous disciplines to the problems of alcohol and other drugs, enabling those working in the field to understand AOD-related problems from various perspectives. Over time, the increased and widespread usage of the Thesaurus will result in consistent indexing of AOD literature and other databases and in major improvements for searching and retrieval across many databases.

In response to SALIS' recommendation, in 1989, NIAAA initiated the development of an alcohol-specific thesaurus for the alcohol field and its online database, the Alcohol and Alcohol Problems Science Database, known as ETOH. The Thesaurus was expanded to encompass other drugs after NIAAA entered into a joint agreement with CSAP in 1991.

NIAAA established a Thesaurus advisory committee of information and subject specialists to help guide the development of the thesaurus. The advisory committee was expanded in 1991 to include members invited by CSAP. The AOD Thesaurus Advisory Committee includes SALIS members Andrea Mitchell; Nancy Sutherland; Gail Weinberg; Penny Page; and Ginny Rollet; and the chairperson, Dagobert Soergel.

Once the Thesaurus was drafted, NIAAA and CSAP enlisted subject specialists who were not on the Thesaurus Advisory Committee to review specific sections of the Thesaurus.

## ♣ AOD Thesaurus Structure

The **AOD Thesaurus** consists of two parts: the *Hierarchical List* and the *Alphabetical Index* (see examples of each at the end of this article).

The heart of the **AOD Thesaurus** is its *Hierarchical List*, which provides access by concepts and is arranged by subject in a tree structure format, similar to the medical subject heading tree structures for the Medline database. More than 40 thesauri were used as sources in the development of the subject hierarchies; several served as major sources, including MeSH, the ERIC and PsycINFO thesauri, and the joint World Health Organization (WHO)/NIAAA lexicon on alcohol and other drugs. The subject hierarchies cover a vast array of subject matter, including biomedical topics; education, anthropology and other psychosocial subjects; prevention; and treatment (see the sidebar, "Broad Outline of the Thesaurus"). The *Hierarchical List* shows hierarchical (narrower terms and broader terms) and associative relationships (related terms) among descriptors and provides an abundance of lead-in terminology and scope notes.

The *Alphabetical Index* provides access by terms in a standard key word out of context (KWOC) format; it shows each multiword term (descriptor or lead-in term) under each of its constituent words, and it links to the *Hierarchical List* through term numbers.

### SIDEBAR - Broad Outline of the Alcohol and Other Drug Thesaurus

#### A AOD use, abuse, and dependence (AODU)

- AA/C Nature and description of AOD use, abuse, and dependence
- AH/J Natural history and theories of AOD use, abuse, and dependence
- AK Causes of AOD use, abuse, & dependence (AODC)
- AL/N Effects and problems of AOD use, abuse, and dependence (AODE)

#### B AOD substance or product

#### C/G Concepts in natural science, biomedicine, & psychology

- C Natural science
- E Concepts in biomedical areas
- F Concepts in psychology and thought
- G Health and disease (physical or mental)

#### H/J Process and methods of diagnosis, prevention, and treatment

- HA/H Screening and diagnostic method
- HK/X Treatment method
- J Prevention, intervention, and treatment. Health care.

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*(SALIS 15th Annual Conference.... continues)*

Jill reported that a SALIS procedural manual is in progress. She will be contacting individuals for additional assistance with the manual. She announced that SALIS has received 501(C)(3) tax status which means that the organization may begin to seek grants and initiate other fundraising attempts. Financial contributions to the SALIS are also now tax deductible. Secretary Cathy Weglarz, Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies, gave the Membership report. Currently SALIS has 111 Full Members, 25 Associate Members and 8 Institutional Members.

Treasurer Tom Colthurst of the University of California, San Diego, Extension presented the Treasurer's report.

Jill Austin then gave the Report for the Executive Board. The Board is looking at a possible dues increase for 1995. After discussion from the floor, it was decided that the Board will formulate an organizational business plan to present to the membership before a final decision is made on this action. The Board has also decided to make additional funds available for future SALIS Conference scholarships. A raise in pay has been approved for Tim Nguyen, the part-time employee at the SALIS Institutional Home at the Alcohol Research Group Library.

Andrea Mitchell, Alcohol Research Group Library, reported for the SALIS Institutional Home. The Institutional Home and the SALIS Education/Outreach Committee are finishing up a new edition of the SALIS promotional brochure. It should be available by the end of 1993. As Editor of SALIS News, Andrea announced that the newsletter is being sent out to members of the Inter-American Drug Information Service (IADIS). SALIS members were urged to forward additional names of organizations or individuals to whom complimentary issues of SALIS News should be distributed. The Institutional Home is investigating the possibility of a contract to revise and update the next issue of the SALIS Directory.

Mary O'Brien of the Illinois Prevention Resource Center introduced the members of the 1994 Conference Planning Committee. The 1994 Conference will be held in Chicago, probably during the third week of October. Mary invited the membership to participate in the conference planning process. She can be reached at 217-525-3456.

Sheila LaCroix, Addiction Research Foundation, reported for the Canadian Special Interest Group (SIG). Goals for the year are to increase membership and to increase

representation at the SALIS conference.

Sharon Crockett of the Tennessee Alcohol and Drug Association Statewide Clearinghouse reported for the Multi-Cultural SIG. The SIG plans to evaluate and critique posters for SALIS News. They hope to have a full day devoted to multi-cultural issues at the 1994 Conference. Possible programs include a panel presentation on different cultural groups and special populations. They would also like to recognize a video production company for outstanding contributions to the field and to invite a representative from that company to the conference.

Tressa Youngbear, Iowa Substance Information Center, spoke for the Education/Outreach Committee. Their goals continue to be to promote membership in SALIS; in particular they plan to target members of CSAP's RADAR Network. One question for the membership is - "To whom do we want to promote SALIS?" They also plan to begin work on pathfinders on alcohol and drug information for different types of libraries.

Ira Bray of the California Department of Alcohol & Drug Programs Resource Center Library reported for the Information and Technology SIG. The SIG plans to continue its column in SALIS News and to develop a survey for distribution to the membership.

Andrea Mitchell presented a proposal that recommendations formulated from the Roundtable: Technology and the Future of Libraries be forwarded to the Center of Substance Abuse Prevention. In brief, these recommendations concerned the recognition that with the proliferation of the electronic AOD databases there is a need for a guide to these resources, more training, and further exploration on ways to develop a more user-friendly unified system of access to these databases. It was agreed to accept the initiative in principle and to begin policy discussions on how such an effort could be organized.

Tape recorded proceedings from the 15th Conference on "Information in Action: Promoting Health" will be available.

Newly elected Chair Gail Weinberg of the Drug Information Services at the University of Minnesota adjourned the meeting. See you in Chicago!

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## Video ReView

Valerie Mead

Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies



While organizing a video presentation for the most recent SALIS conference in San Francisco, I opted to show videos on HIV/AIDS for two reasons. First, it was clear from pre-conference discussions that SALIS members wanted the topics of HIV and AIDS to have a dominant presence at this year's annual program. Second, after looking at the more recent selections of videos on substance use/abuse topics, those on HIV/AIDS were simply the best. But good intentions don't make for a successful video program when your audience is sitting in San Francisco and your videos are sitting in a UPS office in Cincinnati! A bit too far for good reception, eh!? The tapes didn't arrive until after the conference was over.\* Murphy's Law.

I decided to take advantage of this column and present the list here. The titles were chosen both for their content and also their creative style. While I rarely list prices for many reasons, it should be noted that, except for **ABSOLUTELY POSITIVE** and **TALKIN' ABOUT AIDS** which sell for \$295 each, the highest price for any one title is \$150. As many seasoned educational film buyers know, this is a bargain! Also, I want to thank Cathy Weglarz whose arm I twisted into co-presenting this program-that-never-happened.

**ABSOLUTELY POSITIVE.** 87 min. Select Media, 477 Broome St., New York, NY 10013; 212-431-8923.

A young father, a burly retired logger, a soprano in a Baptist choir and a nurse - what do these people have in common? They are all HIV+. A moving account of how HIV can affect anyone of us.

**AIDS: THE WOMEN SPEAK.** 28 min. NJN, CN777, Trenton, NJ 08625-0777; 609-530-5792.

One of the first videos to give attention to the effects of HIV/AIDS on women. An inspiring, honest, and courageous portrayal of HIV+ women, family members of people with AIDS, and volunteers.

**AUNT HALLIE.** 10 min. Fanlight Productions, 47 Halifax Street, Boston, MA 02130; 617-524-0980.

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## News From South East Asia

R.P. Kumar

All India Institute of Medical Sciences

Dr. R.P. Kumar, Librarian, All India Institute of medical Sciences and SALIS South East Asian SIG Chair attended IX Congress of South East Asian Librarians (CONSAL IX) held in Bangkok, Thailand from May 2-7, 1993 and presented his paper entitled "An Overview of Modern Technologies Applications in Indian Libraries". He organized an evening meeting with the librarians/information specialists dealing with drug abuse from different South East Asian countries. He explained to them in detail about the aims and objectives of SALIS and also encouraged them to become members.

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*(Chair Elect Bio... continues)*

and you will find a biography of Sharon in the following paragraph. Please note ballots must be returned by January 15th and should have the voting members name on the return envelope.

Sharon Crockett is Director of the Statewide Clearinghouse for the Tennessee Alcohol and Drug Association in Nashville, Tennessee. She has been in that capacity for nearly five years. She is a graduate of the Clark School of Business in Topeka, Kansas. While in Kansas Sharon attended Washburn University and was the University's Criminal Justice Film Librarian. She is an alternate to Region 4 on CSAP's RADAR Network Steering Committee and serves on the SALIS Executive Board as Chair of the Multi-Cultural Special Interest Group and as an At-Large Member. She recently chaired the 1992 SALIS Conference. In addition, Sharon worked with the Pan Methodist Coalition as a staff writer for the "Revival of Hope Church Guide for Community Action on Drug Concerns" publications. Prior to coming to the Tennessee Alcohol and Drug Association she spent 14 years in radio and TV as a Producer, News Anchor, Talk Show Host, Public Affairs Director and Disc Jockey. She has received numerous awards for her broadcasting contributions. Crockett has been active in community affairs for nearly 20 years.

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*(AOD Thesaurus continues)*

**L/O Concepts in psychosocial and sociocultural areas and technology**

L/MV	Social sciences, economics, and law
MW/Z	Religion, the humanities, and the arts
N	Communication, information, and education
OA/T	Technology. Safety and accidents.
OZ	Sports

**P/T Concepts applicable across disciplines**

PA/L	Demography and epidemiology
PM/Z	History, geography, and the environment
R	Research methods and research organization
S	Field, discipline, or occupation
T	Personal and group characteristics

**V/Z Lists of Named Entities**

VA/Q	Place
VR/Y	Language
VZ	Religious denomination
W	Living organisms
X	Body part
Y/Z	Chemical substances (Y by function, Z by chemical structure)

**\* Testing of the AOD Thesaurus**

The Thesaurus was tested for searching and indexing/cataloging between September 1992 and March 1993 to obtain a structured, objective, and thorough review of its structure and content. The resulting data assisted the Thesaurus development team in identifying both problematic sections and terms (e.g., redundancy, too much detail, missing concepts or cross-references) and strengths (e.g., the extensive network of cross-references, the logic of the hierarchical organization, the abundance of lead-in terms).

The testing consisted of three components: (1) indexing a common set of 25 documents to provide a comparison of the indexing terms assigned to the same document by various institutions and to allow for a more controlled analysis; (2) indexing of an institution's own materials; and (3) constructing free-text search strategies for various online databases. The Thesaurus development team created forms for consistent recording of test information.

The following institutions participated in the testing: The NIAAA Alcohol Research Collection, Analysis and Dissemination Project; CSAP's National Clearinghouse on Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI); Addiction Research Foundation; Alcohol Research Group; ALKO, Ltd.; British Columbia Prevention Resource Centre; Distilled Spirits Council of the U.S. (DISCUS); Drug Information Services; Marin Institute; Research Institute on Addictions; Rutgers University Center of Alcohol Studies;

and the V.A. Medical Center in Grand Junction, Colorado.

**\* Uses for the AOD Thesaurus**

NIAAA now uses the **AOD Thesaurus** to index the ETOH database. Because the scope of the ETOH database does not require the full Thesaurus, the NIAAA abstracting and indexing staff selected more than 3,200 terms from the more than 10,000 terms in the Thesaurus for use in indexing materials for ETOH. These ETOH descriptors are specially marked in the Thesaurus with a fine print, lowercase "e" following the term number (e.g., **GQ10.2.6e alcoholic liver cirrhosis**). These descriptors appear in ETOH's controlled vocabulary fields, MJ (major descriptor) and MN (minor descriptor). NCADI uses the entire **AOD Thesaurus** to index its own database, known as IDA—Information on Drugs and Alcohol. Although not available online, IDA is available to the public via telephone search requests and will be released on CD-ROM some time next year.

NIAAA is presently converting the entire database to reflect the new Thesaurus terminology. Pre-1987 records, about two-thirds of the database, have been converted from older, broader indexing language to the Thesaurus terminology; the remaining records currently are being reindexed, beginning with the more recent records and working back to the older ones. By December 1994, the entire database will be searchable via the **AOD Thesaurus**.

The **AOD Thesaurus** provides a wealth of lead-in terminology and an extensive network of relationships among descriptors. This makes it a useful tool for finding terms for free-text searching of other databases such as Medline, PsycINFO, Sociological Abstracts, and ERIC.

The Thesaurus also has been useful for indexing of bibliographic, vertical, and project files; subject cataloging; revising a current classification system; and creating various AOD-related forms, such as referral forms.

NIAAA and CSAP are committed to the ongoing process of maintaining the Thesaurus and ensuring its vitality and viability. The maintenance of the Thesaurus will be driven principally by user feedback. A new edition or change notices will be made available on a 1- or 2- year review cycle, depending on the number of changes.

NIAAA and CSAP invite and encourage SALIS members to use the **AOD Thesaurus**. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Miller, Chief, Scientific Communications Branch, Office of Scientific Affairs, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, Parklawn Building, Room 16C-14, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-3860 or Nelia Nadal,

NCADI Project Officer, Division of Public Education and Dissemination, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockwall Building II, Room 9C-03, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-0377. To encourage users to provide feedback on the Thesaurus, a comment form is included in its front matter.

A question-and-answer column on the **AOD Thesaurus** is planned for future issues of the SALIS Newsletter. These questions can be broad or specific. Please send your questions to Diane Miller, at the above address. NIAAA

and CSAP can be electronically accessed via NCADI'S Prevlene; please direct your questions to Kathleen Mullen at [radar address] or Samantha Helfert at shelfert.

To order the **AOD Thesaurus**, write to NCADI at Box 2345, Rockville, MD 20847-2345, or call (800) 729-6686 and ask for Inventory Item CR33. The price is \$25.

[Examples of the Hierarchical List and Alphabetical Index are below]

#### SIDEBAR:

#### Example of the AOD Thesaurus Hierarchical List

- <sup>3</sup>ME4e . . . . . sociocultural norms
  - SN Shared rules or guidelines that prescribe the behavior appropriate in a given situation.
  - ST *community norms*
  - RT FR20 sex role
- <sup>4</sup>ME4.2e . . . . . societal attitude toward AOD
  - SN Attitudes of society as a whole, including those of family.
  - NT LG2 family attitude toward AOD
  - NT MO20.6.2 public opinion on AOD
  - NT +MO24.2 public policy on AOD
  - NT MX16.2 organized religion attitude toward AOD
  - BT +FR14.2 attitude toward AOD
- <sup>4</sup>ME4.4e . . . . . sociocultural AOD use
  - ST *cultural AOD use*
  - ST *social AOD use*
- <sup>5</sup>ME4.4.4 . . . . . sociocultural alcohol use
  - BT +BB alcohol in any form
- <sup>6</sup>ME4.4.4.2e . . . . . social drinking
  - RT +AA2.2 nonproblematic AOD use
  - RT AD8.8.2 moderate alcohol use
  - RT +AD10 AOD use frequency
- <sup>5</sup>ME4.4.6 . . . . . recreational drug use
  - SN Use of a drug, usually illicit, in sociable or relaxing circumstances, by implication without dependence or other problems. The term is disfavored by those seeking to define all illicit drug use as a problem (WHO lexicon).

#### Example of the Alphabetical Index

##### drinker

underage drinker TY8e

##### drinking USE +EA24.8e

binge drinking AD4.2.2

controlled drinking AD16.2.2

drinking and driving +MN8.2.2.2e

drinking and driving education JG4.2

drinking and driving laws +MP22.2

drinking venue +LR4.2e

heavy drinking USE +AD8.10.2

minimum drinking age TD4.4e

moderate drinking USE AD8.8.2

social drinking ME4.4.4.2e

underage drinking MN8.4

##### drive USE +FNe

drink drive USE +MN8.2.2e

drive theory FN18.4

sex drive FN18.4

# Information Technology

Ira Bray

California Dept. of Alcohol and Drug Programs

Well, I finally got it, a laptop computer I can carry from place to place, work to home, home to work. I have waited so long for this thing (over seven months) that I had begun to forget the rationale for its purchase.

Now, it is reminding me of the anticipated benefits, and some unanticipated. There are some drawbacks, but let's talk about the good stuff first.

The most obvious benefit is the ability to bring your work to different locations. Much of my work is done on the computer; now I can write, search/edit/add/delete items in the library catalog, dial up Prevlene, do customer database reports, etc., wherever I am. For example, while I was at the SALIS conference in San Francisco I kept in touch with Prevlene and our local statewide Community Works bulletin board system. I used the E-mail functions to send and receive some important messages to my boss.

Sharing your work with others now becomes much easier as well. While at the conference I displayed some of my library catalog records to colleagues who helped me with some cataloging questions. Having the items in question right in front of you certainly helped the process.

There is, of course, a dark side to all of this. For starters, portable computers are tempting targets for thieves. This requires you to maintain a certain amount of paranoia. I carry mine in a \$29 vinyl imitation leather briefcase to throw them off the track.

Working at home, in the park, or in the car blurs the distinction between work and play. As much as I am dedicated to my career, my family comes first. It's just a little harder now to keep work at work.

Lastly, there is the problem of being techno-cute, i.e., reckless in your embrace of technology, mistaking efficiency for service. This point, by the way, is nicely made in *Librarianship: The Erosion of A Woman's Profession* by Roma M. Harris.

It is critical to remember the core values of the profession. Providing free and equal access to information cannot be overshadowed by providing glitzy, yet unequal access to information. Trading these values in for an expert's role as information technocrat is both a personal and professional loss. Having a portable computer by itself will not make you lose your values, but it may make it easier to misplace them.

So, time to shut down, close the case and walk over to the swimming pool to pick up my daughter from water polo. I did get a few stares as I plunked away on the keyboard in my car, but it was fun. Hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

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*(Message from Chair continues)*

Sonja Valverius of the Swedish Council for Information on Alcohol and Other Drugs Library. Sheila LaCroix of the Addiction Research Foundation is Chair of the Canadian SIG; Sharon Crockett of the Tennessee Alcohol and Association Statewide Clearinghouse is Chair of the Multi-Cultural SIG; and Dr. Kumar of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences is Chair of the Southeast Asian SIG. Ira Bray of the California Department of Alcohol and Drugs Programs is Chair of the Information Technology Committee; and Lisa Swanberg of NCADI is Chair of the Educational/Outreach Committee.

The receipt of 501(c)3 tax exempt status as a not for profit group opens new windows for SALIS. Eligibility to receive grants, tax deductible donations, and a bulk mail permit are just some of the opportunities we hope to explore in the coming year. Jill Austin has done a wonderful job in compiling the first draft of the SALIS procedures manual. I hope to be able to complete that task. This manual should serve as a frame of reference to assist the Executive Board in doing their jobs, as well as aid in transitional periods, and provide a synopsis of SALIS as an organization to all interested persons.

The 1994 annual conference will be held in Chicago, hosted by Mary O'Brien of the Illinois Prevention Resource Center. Chicago is a great city to visit - excellent restaurants, superb museums, and wonderful shopping. With its central location and two airports, Chicago is very assessable. Plan now to attend the SALIS conference in 1994!

As Chair of SALIS, I feel that I serve to be a representative of the members of the organization. Most importantly, I welcome your comments and suggestions - please contact me or any other member of the Executive Board. I encourage you to become involved in SALIS in any way you can. I realize we are all faced with extended commitments and not enough hours in the day, but even a small contribution to SALIS will be appreciated. I look forward to hearing from you. Have a great year!

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*(Video ReView continues)*

An elderly Southern woman, a discarded condom, a phantom illness and...and... A charmingly creative work about fears and illness told in an off-beat, biting style. **COMMON THREADS: STORIES FROM THE QUILT.** 80 min. Direct Cinema, Ltd., P.O. Box 69799-9976; 213-396-4774.

**COMMON THREADS** weaves the history of the AIDS quilt with the stories of five people who died after contracting AIDS. A touching tribute that avoids being mawkish or heavy-handed.

**RED, HOT + BLUE.** 90 min. 6 West Home Video, Arista records, 6 West 57th St., New York, NY 10019; 212-489-7400.

Cool and bluesy MTV-style video featuring famous artists' renditions of Cole Porter numbers. Celebs also appear between sets to "give the facts" about HIV/AIDS. **RED, HOT + DANCE.** 100 min. Sony Music Video, P.O. Box 4450, New York, NY 10101; 212-833-8000.

A funky, get-down video that began as a "global groove on World AIDS Day." Geared more toward younger and avant-garde audiences, this video mixes the facts with the music.

**SERIOUSLY FRESH.** 22 min. Select Media, 477 Broome St., Suite 42, New York, NY 10013; 212-431-8923.

Four young men playing basketball let down their guards and get serious about "AIDS talk." Although geared towards young African American males, **SERIOUSLY FRESH** will play well for any teen audience.

**SPRING BREAK: SEX AND ALCOHOL.** 7 min. Rutgers University, Health Education, 301 Van Nest hall, New Brunswick, NJ 08903, 908-932-7710.

"Not my kid!" Maybe. Maybe not. But if you want to see what **REALLY** goes on in Florida during spring break, check out what happens when someone turns a camera on the action.

**TALKIN' ABOUT AIDS.** 30 min. Altshul Group, 1560 Sherman Ave., Suite 100, Evanston, IL 60201; 312-328-6700.

Rap, comedy, cartoon, and reflective monologue - there's something here for everyone. The "AIDS Nerd" piece is sure to become a classic. Comes with or without the infamous condom skit. Curious...?

**TIME OUT: THE TRUTH ABOUT HIV, AIDS, AND YOU.** 42 min. Paramount Pictures Corp., 555 Melrose Ave., Hollywood, CA 90038; 312-956-5000.

A star-studded video that has fun with its celebrities but keeps to the point of the piece - HIV prevention. Arsenio

and "Magic" co-host this breezy and informative program.

Additional HIV/AIDS recommended resources include AIDSFILMS, Video Data Bank, and Media Network. AIDSFILMS is a New York-based non-profit company with a multi-award winning series of films. **SERIOUSLY FRESH** is one of their programs and it is an excellent example of their work. Select Media (address above) distributes the series and each title sells for only \$65. Video Data Bank, 37 Wabash Ave., Chicago IL 60603, 312-263-0141 is a distribution group that has ties with the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. They offer works by independent artists on AIDS, multicultural issues, the environment, and sexuality. Media Network, 121 Fulton St., New York, NY 10038, 212-929-2663 is a national membership organization that acts as a fiscal agent for independent producers. Their interest is in alternative, socially relevant videos. They produce an AIDS media guide titled *Seeing Through AIDS*.

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*(Professional Organizations... continues)*

Hopefully, more and more of us will have internet access, with the future goal of a mental health listserv.

For further information about MHLS please write, call or e-mail me: MIMH Library, 5400 Arsenal St., St. Louis, MO 63139; (314) 644-8860; e-mail [mimhmj@mizzoul.missouri.edu](mailto:mimhmj@mizzoul.missouri.edu)

For further information about AMHL, please write, call, or e-mail: Tobeylynn Birch, Library, California School of Professional Psychology, 1000 S. Fremont Ave, Alhambra, CA 91803; (818) 284-2777 x3060; e-mail [cspapbr@class.org](mailto:cspapbr@class.org).

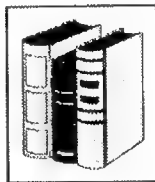
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## ICAA Information Section

A reminder that the Information section of the International Council on Alcohol and the Addictions is planning to meet June 1-5, in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Anyone wishing a copy of the call for papers, please contact Andrea Mitchell, c/o 2000 Hearst Ave., Berkeley, CA 94709-2176.

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## New Books



Baer, John S. and G. Alan Marlatt, and Robert J. McMahon. *Addictive Behaviors Across the Life Span*. Newbury Park, CA: Sage Publications, Inc., 1993.

Bean, Philip. *Cocaine and Crack: Supply and Use*. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1993. \$16.95.

Belenko, Steven R. *Crack and the Evolution of Anti-drug Policy*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1993. \$49.95. ISBN: 0-313-28030-4; ISSN: 0732-4464.

Brady, Maggie. *Heavy Metal: The Social Meaning of Petrol Sniffing in Australia*. Canberra: Aboriginal Studies Press, 1993. At \$19.95 Australian dollars. Order from: Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies, GPO Box 553, Canberra ACT 2601.

Brill, Norman Q. (Norman Quintus). *America's Psychic Malignancy: The Problem of Crime, Substance Abuse, Poverty, and Welfare - Identifying Causes with Possible Remedies*. American Series in Behavioral Science and Law. Springfield, IL: C.C. Thomas, 1993.

Davis, Robert C., Arthur J. Lurigio and Dennis P. Rosenbaum. *Drugs and the Community: Involving Community Residents in Combatting the Sale of Illegal Drugs*. Springfield, IL: C.C. Thomas, 1993.

Denzin, Norman K. *The Alcoholic Society: Addiction and Recovery of the Self*; (with a new introduction by the author and a foreword by John M. Johnson). New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers, 1993.

Fernando, M. Daniel. *AIDS and Intravenous Drug Use: The Influence of Morality, Politics, Social Science, and Race in the Making of a Tragedy*. Westport, CT: Praeger, 1993. \$45.00. ISBN: 0-275-94245-7.

Fisher, Joseph C. *Advertising, Alcohol Consumption, and Abuse: a Worldwide Survey*. Contributions to the Study of Mass Media and Communications No. 41. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1993. ISBN: 0-313-28959-X; ISSN: 0732-4456.

Galanter, Marc. *Network Therapy for Alcohol and Drug Abuse: A New Approach in Practice*. New York: BasicBooks, 1993.

Gold, Mark S. *Cocaine*. New York: Plenum Medical Book Co., 1993.

Green, Valerie. *Doped Up, Knocked Up, and ... Locked Up?: The Criminal Prosecution of Women Who Use Drugs During Pregnancy*. Children of poverty. New York: Garland, 1993.

Johnson, Ernest H. *Risky Sexual Behaviors Among African-Americans*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc., 1993. \$55.00. ISBN: 0-275-94162-0.

Korenman, Stanley G. and Jack D. Barchas. *Biological Basis of Substance Abuse*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1993.

McCrary, Barbara S. and William Miller (eds). *Research on Alcoholics Anonymous: Opportunities and Alternatives*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies, 1993.

Miller, Norman S. and Barry Stimmel (eds). *Comorbidity of Addictive and Psychiatric Disorders*. New York, NY: The Haworth Medical Press, 1993. ISBN: 1-56024-457-7.

Taylor, Avril. *Women Drug Users: an Ethnography of a Female Injecting Community*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 1993.

Turner, Thomas B. and Virginia L. Bennett. *Forward Together: Industry and Academia*. A history of the Alcoholic Beverage Medical research Foundation, 1969-1991. Baltimore, MD: Alcoholic Beverage Medical Research Foundation, 1993.

Wallen, Jacqueline. *Addiction in Human Development: Developmental Perspectives on Addiction and Recovery*. Haworth Addictions Treatment. New York: Haworth Press, 1993. \$32.95 hard; \$25.95 soft. ISBN: 1-56024-247-7.

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## Periodical News

Psychotherapy for the Addictions was a special issue of *Psychotherapy* Vol. 30, No. 2, Summer 1993.

Genetics and Alcoholism was a special issue of *Behavior Genetics* Vol. 23 No. 2, March 1993.

**DRUGS: Education, Prevention, and Policy** is a new journal from Carfax - same publishers who give us *Addiction*. According to publisher's flyer, this journal will be "a forum for communication between those concerned with education and prevention policy". Three issues/year. Institutional US \$198.00, Personal \$54.00. Carfax, PO Box 2025, Dunnellon, FL 34430-2025 USA or Carfax, PO Box 25, Abindon, Oxfordshire, OX14 3UE U.K.



## Government Documents/ Fugitive Literature

*Alcohol and Other Drugs: Their Role in Transportation.* Transportation Research Circular No. 413. Washington, D.C.: Transportation Research Board, 1993.

De La Rosa, Mario R. and Juan-Luis Recio Adrados. *Drug Abuse Among Minority Youth: Advances in Research and Methodology.* NIDA Research Monograph No. 130. Rockville, MD: National Institute on Drug Abuse, 1993.

*Health Promotion in the Workplace: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Report of a WHO Expert Committee.* WHO Technical Report Series 833. Geneva: WHO, 1993.

Hunt, Walter A and Sara Jo Nixon. *Alcohol-induced Brain Damage.* National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. NIAAA Research Monograph No. 22. Rockville, MD: The Institute, 1993.

*Parental Awareness and Responsibility: A Case Study of a Program to Prevent and Treat Alcohol and Other Drug Problem.* CSAP Special Report No. 11. Rockville, MD: Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, 1993.

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United States. Office of National Drug Control Policy. *National Drug Control Strategy: Progress in the War on Drugs, 1989-1992.* Washington, D.C.: Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President: For sale by the U.S. G.P.O., Supt. of Docs., 1993.

University of California Berkeley, School of Public Health and Institute for Health for Health Policy Studies, University of California, San Francisco. *The Public Health Impact of Needle Exchange Programs in the United States and Abroad.* Prepared for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Sept. 1993. Available from: Peter Lurie, MD, MPH, UCSF Prevention Sciences Group, 74 New Montgomery, suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94105.

Zakhari, Sam. *Alcohol and the Endocrine System.* NIAAA Research Monograph No. 23. Bethesda, MD: National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 1993.

## What's New in Reference Sources

Andrea Mitchell  
Alcohol Research Group

Rebach, Howard M., et al. *Substance Abuse Among Ethnic Minorities in America: A Critical Annotated Bibliography.* New York: Garland Publishings, 1992. 469 pp. \$108.00.

The compilers of this work have given the reader much more than the average bibliography. Actually, it is somewhat reminiscent of the old NIDA Research Issues Series.

All 168 citations covering the decade of the 1980's concern the major topical areas of substance abuse epidemiology, consequences of use, etiology, diagnosis, prevention and treatment in the ethnic population of America. Each citation is followed by sections which provide 1) the purpose, 2) a summary, 3) the type ie. longitudinal study, critical reviews, 4) the method, 5) results of the study (if appropriate), and 6) an evaluation (the compilers give their critique on the study or review).

According to the compilers, their search procedures included database searches of Medline, Social Abstracts, Psych Info, Social Science Research and Social Science Abstracts. Instead of a subject index, the reader is given a table which lists all the citations from 1-168 and cross tabs them with a code for ethnic group, age group, topic and substance. Although this is a very useful means of seeing the literature, as a librarian I still would appreciate narrower subjects.

*Public Funding Resources for Alcohol and Other Drug Programs.* Prepared by Michael Shaver. Piscataway, NJ: Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies. N.J. Drug Resource Center and Clearinghouse, 1993. \$14.95.

A concise guide to the major program and research funding resources with a synopsis on how to use the Federal Register and Code of Federal domestic assistance. Each entry (19 for program and 11 for research) gives a summary of the grant purpose and scope, followed by name of administering agency, dollar amounts on range of award, CFDA code number, and contact person and agency address.

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## SALIS Conference 1994

Mark your calendars now for the 1994 16th Annual SALIS Conference, October 15-19 at the Best Western - Inn of Chicago, 162 east Ontario, Chicago, IL 60611. The theme for the meeting is The Information Age: Meeting the Challenge. Call for papers will be sent to all SALIS members in the coming months. If you would like to be on the Conference mailing list and are not a SALIS member, contact the Conference organizers, Mary O'Brien or Donna Wagner, at 822 South College Street, Springfield, IL 62704 (217) 525-3456, FAX (217) 789-4388.

## SALIS Dues 1994

A membership renewal letter is in the mail to you along with the new SALIS Brochure and Insert. Please renew your membership as soon as possible, and no later than April 1, 1994, if you want to have your name listed in the annual membership roster coming out in the next issue of *News*.

We have not changed the rates for membership this year, but we have added an option. Note that the application letter now asks whether you wish to have your name distributed to NCADI and other publishers for publications and announcements. For your convenience, we have also created a SALIS products form on the reverse side of the membership application. The SALIS Brochure should provide you with most of the information you need concerning SALIS, but if you have other questions, call SALIS Home or one of the persons listed on the Insert.

## New Chair-Elect

Congratulations! to Sharon Crockett of the Tennessee AOD Clearinghouse for becoming the new SALIS Chair-Elect. Sharon has been an active participant in SALIS (see Chair-Elect Bio last issue of *News*) and her experience, expertise, and energy are greatly welcomed.

## "Drug" Database Dropped

Drug Info's on-line database known as "DRUG" to BRS users, will be dropped from the vendor as of May 30th. Information given to Drug Info creator, Gail Weinberg, is that the new buyer does not wish to distribute "private" databases. If any of you wish to protest this loss, please call Gail at (612) 624-6492.

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## Video Views

Valerie Mead

Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies

It's a new year (for those who abide by the Roman calendar) and although I've always been non-committal about the idea of resolutions, I do believe in deadlines. So I finally decided to defer gratification (I'd rather be a film critic than statistician) and work the results of the Video Questionnaire (VQ) into a column. The idea to do a VQ (the survey was sent out in the Spring 1993 SALIS News, Vol. 13, No. 1) came from the 1992 SALIS conference in Nashville. In truefilm style, I voyeuristically panned our membership in informal settings (breaks, "after-hours", etc.) and noted the number of conversations about videos (true, some of these chats crossed over into good ole' Hollywood gossip...but hey, why talk film if you can't get camp?). Then, a more formal request was posed at the general business meeting for increased networking about and attention to alcohol/drug videos, and management of video collections. My sentiments exactly.

Personally, use of our videos reflects the pattern of video borrowing generally in libraries. They are the most popular and widely-used item in the collection. Yet, despite their high visibility, attention to concerns about educational video collections is non-existent or, at best, given token lip service. Much of the problem involves economics - the high cost of educational videos, the prohibitive price of automated management and circulation systems (also, the lack of any response from the computer software business to provide affordable independent AV management modules indicates a bias against the smaller video collector), and the philosophical and budgetary partiality towards print material over non-print.

So as I watch my staff of one, as she daily struggles with the tedious and cumbersome task of manually booking, reserving, and mailing videotapes, it seems important to not exist in a vacuum. The VQ I prepared was to be a first step in organizing a collective base of information from SALIS members in regards to video services. I must admit though, evaluating the results of the survey proved to be an unfamiliar and therefore awkward task for this first-time "Kinsey." Here goes nothing...

\* Thirty-seven members responded ("thank you")

\* Respondents reflect the international makeup of SALIS - including responses from India, Thailand, Spain, and a large percent from Canadian members

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## News From South East Asia

Dr. R.P. Kumar

All India Institute of Medical Sciences

The National Convention and Workshop (MLAI-93) of the Medical Library Association of India was held at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi from October 13-16, 1993. Dr. R.P. Kumar, chief Librarian of AIIMS and Board Member of SALIS was the Organizing Secretary. The convention and workshop was inaugurated by Honorable Union Minister of Human Resource Development, Shri Arjun Singh. One hundred and fifty participants participated in the convention. Thirty-five papers have been published in a volume entitled "Modern Technology and Health Science Libraries". Besides three others, Dr. R.P. Kumar is also one of the editors of the volume.

## Government Documents / Fugitive Literature

*Alcohol and Other Drugs: Their Role in Transportation.* Circular No. 413. Washington, DC: Transportation Research Board, [1993].

*Alcohol and Other Drugs in Transportation: Research Needs for the Next Decade.* Circular No. 408. Washington, DC: Transportation Research Board, [1993].

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Martin, Susan E. (ed). *Alcohol and Interpersonal Violence: Fostering Multidisciplinary Perspectives. NIAAA Research Monograph No. 24.* Rockville, MD: NIAA, 1993.

Substance Abuse: The Nation's Number One Health Problem, Key Indicators for Policy. Prepared by Institute for Health Policy Research, Brandeis University for the Robert WoodJohnson Foundation, October 1993.

Verschuren, Paulus M. *Health Issues Related to Alcohol Consumption.* Washington, D.C.: International Life Sciences Institute (ILSI) Press, 1993. ILSI Press, 1126 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036. \$30.00.

## Q&A on the AOD Thesaurus

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Samantha Helfert, MLIS

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

*This new column will appear in future issues of the SALIS News. It will address any questions that searchers, indexers, or catalogers may have regarding the terminology in the AOD Thesaurus. All questions are welcome. We can be reached on PREVline at Kmullen or Shelfert.*

1. A number of ETOH descriptors in the **AOD Thesaurus** contain punctuation marks. How do I enter these terms when I search ETOH on line on BRS?

Drop the punctuation marks when typing in your query. Enter these multiword descriptors with the connector *adj* or a hyphen (-) between each of the words. For example, the ETOH descriptor **RM12, reliability (research methods)** is typed in as: **reliability-research-methods** or as: **reliability adj research adj methods**. The difference between using *adj* or the hyphen (-) is that by hyphenating the descriptor, the system will search only the MJ (major descriptor) and MN (minor descriptor) fields; when searching with *adj*, the searcher has to specify which fields to search, or if none are specified, then all fields are searched by default. Other examples of term entry: **FK2.2, short-term memory**, enter as: **short-term-memory** or as: **short adj term adj memory**; **ZF2.4.2.2.2, 2,3-butanediol**, enter as: **2-3-butanediol** or as: **'2' adj '3' adj butanediol**. (Please note that the apostrophes are necessary when searching with the connector *adj* or else the BRS search system will interpret the numbers as set numbers, and search results will be incorrect.)

2. When do I use the descriptors in section **HB AODU screening, identification, and diagnostic method** versus the descriptors in section **JJ identification and screening**?

Use the descriptors in section **HB** such as **HB2 screening and diagnostic method for AOD use** when the actual screening or diagnostic method is being discussed. For example, if an article is assessing the various methods for screening or diagnosing substance abuse disorders, use the descriptor **HB4 screening and diagnostic method for AODD**. On the other hand, use the terms in section **JJ** when the process of identification and screening is discussed. For example, if an article is about the implementation of a workplace screening program, then

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## New Books

Burnham, John C. *Bad Habits: Drinking, Smoking, Taking Drugs, Gambling, Sexual Misbehavior, and Swearing in American History*. New York: New York University Press, 1993.

Burns, Elizabeth M., Arlene Thompson, and Janet K. Ciccone (eds). *An Addictions Curriculum for Nurses and Other Helping Professionals*. New York: Springer Publications Co., 1993.

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Goldstein, Avram. *Addiction: From Biology to Drug Policy*. New York: W.H. Freeman, 1994.

Gomberg, Edith S. Lisansky, and Ted D. Nirenberg (eds). *Women and Substance Abuse*. Norwood, NJ: Ablex Publishing Corp., 1993. Cloth: 1-56750-065-x \$65.00. Paper: 1-56750-066-8 \$32.50.

Plant, Martin A. (ed). *AIDS, Drugs, and Prostitution*. New York: Tavistock/Routledge, 1993.

Warsh, Cheryl Krasnick (ed.). *Drink in Canada: Historical Essays*. Montreal; Buffalo: McGill-Queen's University Press, 1993.

Weiss, Roger D., Steven M. Mirin, and Roxanne L. Bartel. *Cocaine*. Washington, D.C.: American Psychiatric Press, 1994.

## Celebrate!

**Building a Better World With Information  
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For notepads, T-shirts, posters, and coffee mugs to promote this celebration contact: Special Libraries Association, ISDL Orders, PO Box 531, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. They will send price and order brochure.

## New NIAAA Monographs

It was not until October 1993 at the SALIS Conference that I discovered there were new NIAAA Monographs which had not been sent to the Alcohol Research Group Library. I looked in the NCADI catalog and there was no listing after title #20. I contacted NIAAA directly and found out that they would be willing to send the monographs to all SALIS members provided SALIS would send them labels. They will also send the new 8th Report to Congress on Alcohol and Health. New monograph titles (No. 24 & 25) are listed in Government Documents/Fugitive Literature in this issue. Watch your mail for these new titles.

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### *(Q&A... Continues)*

use the term **JJ2.4 identification and screening for AOD use**. For articles that discuss both the process and the method, use both terms.

3. What is the difference between section **B AOD substance or product** and sections **Y/Z chemical substances by function/structure**?

The primary difference is that section **B** contains the most commonly discussed substances of abuse in their various forms. For example, **BD caffeine in any form** brings together the chemical forms of theophylline and caffeine as well as caffeine's manufactured beverage forms, coffee and tea, and the plant forms, Coffee and Cola. On the other hand, **Y/Z** contains chemical substances, whether they are substances of abuse or not, organized by their function (**Y**) and by their structure (**Z**).

Not all chemical forms of abused substances are in section **B**. If the substance needed is not found in section **B**, then refer to sections **Y/Z** and vice versa.

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### *(Video Views Continues)*

- \* Most respondents identify as Clearinghouse/Resource Ctr.
- \* Fifty-eight percent of respondents maintain collections of up to 200 tapes with collection sizes ranging from a low of 20 to a high of 1500 (!)
- \* Most organizations loan tapes to borrowers outside their agency and through the mail
- \* Most organizations do not loan out-of-state, charge fees for use of videos, or fine for overdue tapes
- \* Fifty-four percent of organizations have a circulation of

up to 100 videos/per/month and an average staff size of 1.5

- \* Seventeen percent of organizations have a circulation of over 150 (with a high of 500) tapes/per/month and an average staff size of 1.5
- \* Seventy-five percent maintain a manual circulation/booking system and accept reservations
- \* Fifty percent of organizations have budgets under \$2000 and 50% have budgets between \$2000-6000

What does all this amount to? For starters, it appears that most organizations still circulate and manage their AV collections manually. Those using automated systems have essentially developed their own program within a larger database management system such as Inmagic or Paradox.\* A profile of the "average" SALIS video service consists of a collection of 250 tapes that circulate free and to borrowers within the state, has a dedicated staff of 1.5, an average circulation of 86 tapes/per/month, and has a budget of \$2500.

What does this say about where we're heading? Foremost, it seems clear that SALIS membership needs to address the issues of alcohol/drug video services in a more inclusive manner - we must have a more tangible network. Possibly AV services could join with the Information & Technology Special Interest Group. I would also propose that copies of SALIS News, or at least the Video ReView column, be sent to video producers/distributors so that we keep them aware of our needs. The strength of any membership organization is its "numbers", and we should constructively and consistently use this power to make an impact on the educational alcohol/drug video and AV management markets.

- \* For more information about the names of automated systems included in the VQ responses call me at 908-932-5528. Tressa Youngbear is also a good source for information about manual and automated AV systems. She welcomes calls and can be reached at the Iowa Substance Abuse Information Center, 500 1st Street, SE, Cedar Rapids, IA, 52401, 319-398-5133. You may also want to check out Doug Kranch's review ("Media Management Systems Improve and Grow", T.H.E. Journal, Vol. 18, No. 4, November 1990, pp. 4-10) and update review ("Media Management Software: Integrated Modules is a Key Trend", T.H.E. Journal, Vol. 19, No. 4, November 1991, pp. 4-10) of media management systems. Although dated, they are nonetheless interesting articles. Recently it was pointed out that the Highsmith Company has a very affordable (under \$200) AV management program called Auto Librarian. Call them at 1-800-558-2110, ext. 333 for a test version.



## What's New in Reference Sources?

### **World Drink Trends, 1993. International Beverage Alcohol Consumption and Production Trends.**

This statistical source provides consumption and production, changes and trends for 49 countries. Formerly, *Hoeveel Alcoholhoudende Dranken Worden er in de Wereld Gedronken*. Price: 25 pounds or approx. \$40.00. Order from: NTC Publications Ltd, PO Box 69, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire RG9 1GB, UK.

### **Jewish Alcoholism and Drug Addiction: An Annotated Bibliography. Compiled by Steven L. Berg. Bibliographies and indexes in Ethnic Studies #5. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1993. \$55.00.**

Nearly 600 citations comprise this new bibliography on Jewish alcoholism and drug addiction. Brief descriptive annotations are provided for each reference covering both scholarly and popular press sources. Time frame is mainly 60's - 80's with some exceptions. Major topics under which citations are organized include (1) general studies of addiction within the Jewish community, (2) empirical studies, (3) theoretical essays, (4) comparisons to other religious groups, (5) comparisons to other cultural groups, (6) first person stories and case studies, (7) Jewish involvement in AA, (8) JACS, (9) rabbi's role in recovery, (10) alcoholism in Israel, (11) minorities within the Jewish community, and (12) literary portrayals. Title & subject indexes are provided for cross reference.

See next issue for annotation on:

**Johnson, NP. Dictionary of Street Alcohol and Drug Terms, Fourth Edition, 1993.**

## Spanish Language Titles

Alfons Codina

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Cadafalch, J. and M. Casas. El Paciente Heroinomano en el Hospital. [Barcelona]: Plan Nacional sobre Drogas; Generalitat de Catalunya; CITRAN, 1993. 449 p.

Casas, M. Trastornos Psiquicos en las Toxicomanias. Barcelona: Ediciones en Neurociencias, 1992. 381 p. Series Title: Monografias de Toxicomanias.

Casas, M and M Gossop. Recaida y prevencion de recaidas: Tratamientos Psicologicos en drogodependencias. Sitges: Ediciones en Neurociencias, [1993]. 372 p. Series Title: Monografias en Toxicomanias.

## SALIS Directory Updates

Please note the following additions and/or changes to the Associations, Foundations, Societies, Councils, Self-Help Groups, Networks and Other Organizations Concerned About Substance Abuse section of the **SALIS Directory 1991**, pages 103 - 126 and/or to main entries.

Information listed in bold is new.

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### UPDATE

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